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NOTE

In August of 1980, the Oregon Legislature convened in special session to deal with the projected revenue shortfall for the 1979-81 biennium. One result of that special session was a substantial decrease in the Judicial Branch appropriation which caused a 50 percent reduction in the staff of the State Court Administrator's office, and therefore, a severe curtailment in services. This substantially abbreviated report is a reflection of the reduction.

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SUPREME COURT

DOCKET OF THE OREGON SUPREME COURT

1980

Supreme Court Jurisdiction

Oregon Laws 1977, Chapter 158, transferred to the Oregon Court of Appeals exclusive jurisdiction for all appeals except that expressly conferred on the Oregon Supreme Court by statute or the Oregon Constitution. This legislation removes from the Oregon Supreme Court's jurisdiction all civil appeals filed after January 1, 1978. Now all circuit court appeals will be handled by the Oregon Court of Appeals and not just criminal matters and civil actions involving state or municipal governmental bodies. The Oregon Supreme Court retained jurisdiction over all original proceedings, bar proceedings, Tax Court appeals, and Judicial Fitness Commission proceedings. In addition, the Supreme Court is the court of review for actions by the Oregon Court of Appeals. It is this latter duty which now forms the bulk of the Supreme Court's workload.

Cases Filed

The following tables show an analysis of cases filed in the Supreme Court from 1971 to 1980.

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1971 - 1980

Year	*Cases Filed*[1]	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1971	381	387	237
1972	374	389	222
1973	365	370	217
1974[a]	412	379	250
1975	472	424	298
1976[b]	549	500	347
1977[c]	613	577	383
1978[d]	231	472	142
1979	279	334	72
1980	330	275	127

[1] Includes petitions for review allowed by the Supreme Court since the establishment of the Court of Appeals, July, 1969.

[a] In 1974 circuit court judges served a total 121 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court.

[b] In 1976 circuit court judges served a total of 147 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court.

[c] In 1977 circuit court judges served a total of 206 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court. Additionally, Court of Appeals judges served 97 days as justices pro tempore on the Supreme Court.

[d] In 1978 Court of Appeals judges served six months on the Oregon Supreme Court.

SOURCES OF SUPREME COURT CASES FILED IN 1977 THROUGH 1980

	1977	*1978*	*1979*	*1980*
Civil Appeals	445	17[b]	0	0
Criminal Appeals	0	0	0	3[a]
Original Proceedings				
Ballot Title	7	4	6	5
Habeas Corpus[c]	9	27	31	22
Mandamus[c]	32	41	63	53
Other	4	2	6	3
Judicial Fitness	0	2	0	4
Bar Proceedings				
Contested Admission	2	3	4	4
Disciplinary	15	14	7	15
Reinstatement	5	6	7	7
Exam Review and Miscellaneous Motions[c]	32	59	38	81
Court of Appeals Review Allowed	39	45	104	124
Tax Court Appeals	21	11	13	9
Total Appeals Filed	613	231	279	330

[a] Automatic review of death penalty pursuant to ORS 161.116(5).

[b] These appeals were filed in the circuit courts prior to January 1, 1978 but not received by the Supreme Court until after that date. Technically they are 1977 appeals, but statistically are counted as 1978 caseload.

[c] These matters are closed generally without a formal opinion and, although there are many of them, they consume proportionately very little of the court's time.

Cases Filed, Terminated and Terminated by Opinion Per Judge

The following table displays the number of cases filed, terminated and terminated by opinion per judge for the ten-year period 1971-1980. The number of judges has been calculated to include pro tempore assistance received during each year. The number of cases filed, terminated and terminated by opinion per judge each year was then calculated using this statistic.

CASES FILED, TERMINATED AND TERMINATED BY OPINION PER JUDGE 1971 - 1980

Year	Number of Judges[1]	Cases Filed per Judge	Cases Terminated per Judge	Opinions on the Merits per Judge
1971	7.00	54.4	55.3	33.6
1972	7.00	53.4	55.6	34.9
1973	7.00	52.1	52.9	34.1
1974	7.18	57.4	52.8	34.4
1975	7.00	67.4	60.6	39.0
1976	7.58	72.4	65.7	40.2
1977	8.22	74.6	70.2	39.2
1978	7.50	30.8	62.9	35.2
1979	7.00	39.9	47.7	27.9
1980	7.00	47.1	39.3	18.3

[1] Includes pro tempore judges.

This table does not reflect the number of petitions for review of Court of Appeals opinions filed each year since 1971. This data, shown in following tables, represents another significant part of the Supreme Court's workload.

AVERAGE DAYS ELAPSING FROM FILING OF NOTICE OF APPEAL UNTIL CASE WAS FINALLY DECIDED[1]

Year	From notice of appeal or petition allowed to date case at issue	From date case at issue to final decision	Total time for appeal
1971	230	152	382
1972	211	130	341
1973	218	126	344
1974	177	140	317
1975	187	109	296
1976	166	110	276
1977	203	125	328
1978	207	133	340
1979	165	197	362
1980	27	163[a]	190

[1] Includes only cases decided on the merits by written opinion.

[a] The 163 days is made up of 50 days average from at issue to argument and 113 days average from argument to decision.

Petitions for Review

The following table shows the filing and disposition data for petitions for review filed in the Supreme Court since 1971. By role of the court these petitions must be filed in the Supreme Court within 30 days following the Court of Appeals decision. After the petition is filed, the Court of Appeals is allowed ten days to reconsider its decision. At the conclusion of the 10-day period or upon earlier notification that the Court of Appeals does not intend to modify its decision, the case is assigned to a Supreme Court justice for preparation of a memorandum on the merits of the petition. The memorandum includes a recommendation to grant or deny the petition. Petitions are granted only if three of the justices concur in the action. If a petition is granted it then proceeds through oral argument and the opinion writing process.

DISPOSITIONS OF PETITIONS FOR REVIEW
FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
1971 - 1980

Year	*Filed*	*Granted*	*Denied*	*Pending at end of year*
1971	195	17	170	13
1972	254	21	226	20
1973	206	18	178	30
1974	288	33	267	18
1975	301	23	259	37
1976	467	43	413	48
1977	311	39	235	85
1978	408	45	339	109
1979	552	104	465	92
1980	628	124[a]	511	86

[a] The Supreme Court allowed 51 civil cases, 39 criminal cases, 8 administrative agency review, 5 domestic relations, 1 corrections disciplinary review, 16 worker's compensation cases, 2 juvenile cases, 1 post conviction review, and 1 parole review.

COURT OF APPEALS

DOCKET OF THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS

1980

Overall

The cumulative data for 1980 show the following changes over 1979. The number of filings in the Court of Appeals dropped slightly from 3,456 to 3,436 cases. The Court of Appeals terminations dropped from 3,369 to 3,310 over the one-year period. The total number of cases pending disposition at the end of 1980 was 8% higher than the number pending at the end of 1979, from 1,533 to 1,659.

Appeals Filed

In 1978 the court assumed jurisdiction of the civil appeals formerly filed in the Oregon Supreme Court. This increased jurisdiction alone added 397 civil cases to the 1978 filings, 519 to the 1979 total, and 486 to the 1980 caseload. 1980 is the first full calendar year in which case filings did not increase above those of the previous year.

APPEALS FILED AND TERMINATED
1971 - 1980

Year	*Appeals Filed*	*Appeals Terminated*	*Appeals Pending*
1971	622	719	329
1972	766	804	291
1973	843	822	312
1974	1,046	929	429
1975	1,539	1,298	669
1976	1,847	1,786	730
1977[a]	2,348	2,054	1,024
1978[b]	3,106	2,684	1,446
1979	3,456	3,369	1,533
1980	3,436	3,310	1,659

[a] The court assumed jurisdiction of district court appeals on January 1, 1977.

[b] The court assumed jurisdiction of all civil appeals on January 1, 1978.

The following table shows the number of cases filed for the years 1974 through 1980. Over this seven year period the Court of Appeals case filings have grown at an average rate of 18.5% per year.

ANALYSIS OF CASES FILED
1974 - 1980

Type of Case[1]	*1974*	*1975*	*1976*	*1977*[1]	*1978*[2]	*1979*	*1980*
Civil	262	322	421	504	980	1,158[3]	1,089[4]
Criminal	425	704	735	1,049	1,313	1,366	1,478
Traffic	-	-	-	119	104	109	87
Workers' Compensation	73	65	104	145	215	266	311
Post Conviction and Habeas Corpus	27	56	30	52	33	48	70
Administrative Agency Review	103	145	176	189	209	200	231
Corrections Disciplinary Review	116	194	360	269	212	242	123
Parole Board Review	40	53	21	21	40	67	47
	1,046	1,539	1,847	2,348	3,106	3,456	3,436

[1] The court assumed jurisdiction of district court appeals on January 1, 1977.
[2] The court assumed jurisdiction of all circuit court civil appeals on January 1, 1978.
[3] Includes 2 adoption, 772 civil, 294 domestic relations, 67 juvenile, 16 probate and 7 "other" cases.
[4] Includes 3 adoption, 728 civil, 282 domestic relations, 62 juvenile, 11 probate and 3 "other" cases.

CASES FILED, TERMINATED AND TERMINATED BY OPINION PER JUDGE
1971 - 1980

Year	*Number of Judges*	*Cases Filed per Judge*	*Cases Terminated per Judge*	*Decisions on the Merits per Judge*
1971	5	124.4	143.8	105.2
1972	5	153.2	160.8	122.4
1973	5.25[a]	160.6	156.6	113.1
1974	6	174.3	154.8	101.3
1975	6	256.5	216.5	146.2
1976	6	307.8	297.6	217.2
1977	7.34[b]	319.9	279.8	206.3
1978	9.5[c]	326.9	280.9	207.6
1979	10	345.6	336.9	225.8
1980	10	343.6	331.0	235.5

[a] A sixth judge was added to the court in October, 1973.
[b] Four judges were added to the court in September, 1977. The Court of Appeals gave the Supreme Court 97 judicial days during the months of September, October, November, and December, 1977.
[c] During 1978 Court of Appeals judges served six months on the Supreme Court.

AVERAGE DAYS ELAPSING FROM FILING OF NOTICE OF APPEAL UNTIL CASE WAS FINALLY DECIDED 1971 - 1980

Year	*From Notice of Appeal to Date Case At Issue*	*From Date Case At Issue to Final Decision*	*Total Time for Appeal*
1971	197	71	268
1972	142	64	206
1973	137	39	176
1974	123	46	169
1975	125	40	165
1976	126	43	169
1977	124	53	177
1978	133	59	192
1979	147	70	217
1980	146	76[a]	222

[a] The 76 days is made up of 37 days from at issue to argument and 39 days from argument to decision.

TAX COURT

THE OREGON TAX COURT

1980

The Oregon Tax Court hears cases that are either appeals from the county boards of equalization (in the cases of small claims property tax cases) or appeals from decisions of the Oregon Department of Revenue. The caseload of the Oregon Tax Court fluctuates from year to year. The caseload is regulated somewhat by the number of appeals before the Department of Revenue.

REGULAR DIVISION

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1971 - 1980

Year	*Cases Filed*	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1971	96	90	64
1972	66	74	56
1973	126	81	101
1974	73	113	61
1975	84	85	60
1976	120	95	85
1977	91	92	84
1978	85	85	84
1979	78	76	86
1980	91	72	105

SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1971 - 1980

Year	*Cases Filed*	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1971	93	120	61
1972	109	102	68
1973	97	104	61
1974	75	102	34
1975	148	60	122
1976	61	80	103
1977	57	120	40
1978	53	53	40
1979	34	58	16
1980	27	23	20

CIRCUIT COURTS

TABLE 1

The circuit courts sustained a 12% increase in cases filed in 1980. This is an increase of 3,745 cases over 1979 filings. There were increases in each of the three case categories. Civil cases other than dissolution matters increased 24% from 23,410 to 28,961 in 1980. Dissolutions increased 1% from 26,873 to 27,103 and criminal cases increased 15% from 16,643 to 19,077.

The proportion of cases filed in each category follows the pattern noted in the last few years. Thirty-nine percent of the 1980 filings were civil cases, 36% were dissolution matters, and 25% were for criminal offenses.

There were increases in the number of cases filed in 19 of the 20 judicial districts. The largest percentage increase in cases filed occurred in Josephine County with a 29% growth. The largest numeric increase was in Multnomah County with an added 1,318 cases in 1980.

The number of cases terminated grew 8% in 1980, an increase of 5,316 cases. There were increases in terminations in all judicial districts except for the Thirteenth. Filings exceeded terminations by 6,742.

TABLE 1*

Judicial District	CASES FILED				CASES TERMINATED				-Backlog- Increase + Decrease -
	Civil**	Dissolution	Criminal	Total	Civil**	Dissolution	Criminal	Total	
First									
Jackson	1,239	1,278	976	3,493	1,102	1,290	839	3,231	+ 262
Josephine	430	596	447	1,473	405	601	324	1,330	+ 143
Totals	1,669	1,874	1,423	4,966	1,507	1,891	1,163	4,561	+ 405
Second									
Lane	3,298	2,654	1,841	7,793	2,335	2,508	1,729	6,572	+1,221
Third									
Marion	2,605	1,577	1,205	5,387	2,365	1,455	1,090	4,910	+ 477
Fourth									
Multnomah	7,705	10,235	4,758	22,098	6,693	9,821	4,773	21,287	+1,411
Fifth									
Clackamas	2,155	1,632	1,166	4,953	1,963	1,526	875	4,364	+ 589
Sixth									
Morrow	134	52	33	219	140	62	35	237	- 18
Umatilla	599	554	480	1,633	499	578	508	1,585	+ 48
Totals	733	606	513	1,852	639	640	543	1,822	+ 30
Seventh									
Hood River	132	118	161	411	103	112	175	390	+ 21
Sherman	16	8	22	46	15	5	19	39	+ 7
Wasco	282	218	249	749	220	195	212	627	+ 122
Totals	430	344	432	1,206	338	312	406	1,056	+ 150
Eighth									
Baker	183	138	159	480	175	130	184	489	- 9
Ninth									
Harney	138	45	30	213	139	50	41	230	- 17
Malheur	428	174	182	784	416	189	182	787	- 3
Totals	566	219	212	997	555	239	223	1,017	- 20
Tenth									
Union	225	239	151	615	194	212	155	561	+ 54
Wallowa	96	49	19	164	72	61	18	151	+ 13
Totals	321	288	170	779	266	273	173	712	+ 67
Eleventh									
Crook	105	125	124	354	116	112	133	361	- 7
Deschutes	1,017	547	543	2,107	753	510	469	1,732	+ 375
Gilliam	27	5	20	52	23	4	13	40	+ 12
Grant	108	97	92	297	118	100	80	298	- 1
Jefferson	163	93	115	371	173	85	128	386	- 15
Wheeler	25	7	5	37	20	15	5	40	- 3
Totals	1,445	874	899	3,218	1,203	826	828	2,857	+ 361

TABLE 1* - Continued

Judicial District	CASES FILED				CASES TERMINATED				-Backlog- Increase + Decrease -
	Civil**	Dissolution	Criminal	Total	Civil**	Dissolution	Criminal	Total	
Twelfth									
Polk	342	405	239	986	323	349	254	926	+ 60
Yamhill	343	387	321	1,051	294	362	316	972	+ 79
Totals	685	792	560	2,037	617	711	570	1,898	+ 139
Thirteenth									
Klamath	701	547	425	1,673	432	513	299	1,244	+ 429
Fourteenth									
Lake	107	68	42	217	80	70	38	188	+ 29
Fifteenth									
Coos	707	602	693	2,002	644	589	574	1,807	+ 195
Curry	180	151	69	400	181	148	81	410	- 10
Totals	887	753	762	2,402	825	737	655	2,217	+ 185
Sixteenth									
Douglas	1,024	826	1,288	3,138	979	812	1,225	3,016	+ 122
Seventeenth									
Lincoln	457	331	342	1,130	342	304	291	937	+ 193
Nineteenth									
Clatsop	294	250	213	757	249	225	172	646	+ 111
Columbia	333	291	310	934	263	308	236	807	+ 127
Tillamook	240	152	282	674	226	141	242	609	+ 65
Totals	867	693	805	2,365	738	674	650	2,062	+ 303
Twentieth									
Washington	1,728	1,484	977	4,189	1,233	1,490	1,018	3,741	+ 448
Twenty-First									
Benton	381	423	343	1,147	369	451	338	1,158	- 11
Linn	1,014	745	755	2,514	831	744	716	2,291	+ 223
Totals	1,395	1,168	1,098	3,661	1,200	1,195	1,054	3,449	+ 212
Statewide Totals	28,961	27,103	19,007	75,141	24,485	26,127	17,787	68,399	+6,742

*Does not include estates, guardianships, or conservatorships. See Tables 10 and 11.
**Other than dissolution of marriage cases.

TABLE 2

COMPARATIVE TABLE
TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR

The number of cases filed in 1980 was 89% higher than in 1971. The average rate of increase, computed from the annual increases over the ten-year period, is 6.5%. The 1974 caseload grew 13.4% over the 1973 level, the largest percentage increase over the last ten years. The 1980 caseload increased 12.3%.

Some of the increases may be attributed to population growth. The circuit court filings, however, are growing at a faster rate than the population. The 1970 ratio of population to cases filed was one case to every 55 people. The 1980 ratio is one case to every 35 individuals. This change in the ratio demonstrates that case filings are increasing at a greater rate than the state population.

TABLE 2

COMPARATIVE TABLE
TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR

Judicial District	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
First										
Jackson	1,686	1,829	2,052	2,606	2,593	2,804	2,672	2,978	3,121	3,493
Josephine	577	652	677	706	752	950	1,033	1,079	1,141	1,473
Totals	2,263	2,481	2,729	3,312	3,345	3,754	3,705	4,057	4,262	4,966
Second										
Lane	4,302	4,329	4,738	5,432	5,684	6,131	5,872	7,308	6,925	7,793
Third										
Marion	3,045	3,142	3,815	4,944	4,979	4,430	4,216	4,429	4,713	5,387
Fourth										
Multnomah	13,723	14,028	14,662	15,992	17,419	18,275	18,644	21,285	21,380	22,698
Fifth										
Clackamas	2,213	2,427	2,932	3,334	3,567	3,698	3,528	3,690	3,868	4,953
Sixth										
Morrow	66	56	54	77	104	99	154	188	227	219
Umatilla	802	774	826	858	963	1,030	1,225	1,418	1,404	1,633
Totals	868	830	880	935	1,067	1,129	1,379	1,606	1,631	1,852
Seventh										
Hood River	202	170	213	267	292	260	289	338	331	411
Sherman	53	48	49	51	85	94	41	32	44	46
Wasco	350	378	358	396	505	482	478	518	557	749
Totals	605	596	620	714	882	836	808	888	982	1,206
Eighth										
Baker	264	318	314	322	357	347	406	394	401	480
Ninth										
Harney	152	153	139	117	145	159	190	207	212	213
Malheur	349	421	424	364	350	373	527	651	772	784
Totals	501	574	563	481	495	532	717	858	984	997
Tenth										
Union	416	382	467	417	459	475	403	438	443	615
Wallowa	114	199	141	127	169	111	95	139	154	164
Totals	530	501	608	544	628	586	498	577	597	779
Eleventh										
Crook	292	294	270	296	301	336	322	354	354	354
Deschutes	558	608	675	851	1,002	1,001	1,085	1,300	1,729	2,107
Gilliam	26	38	35	21	31	33	33	35	36	52
Grant	263	236	233	227	256	243	262	301	303	297
Jefferson	238	208	246	227	337	352	379	338	306	371
Wheeler	30	27	36	32	41	42	59	42	48	37
Totals	1,407	1,411	1,495	1,652	1,968	2,007	2,140	2,370	2,776	3,218

TABLE 2 - Continued

COMPARATIVE TABLE
TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR

Judicial District	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
Twelfth										
Polk	423	469	493	528	599	610	651	763	757	986
Yamhill	570	637	671	780	739	841	805	925	936	1,051
Totals	993	1,106	1,164	1,308	1,338	1,451	1,456	1,688	1,693	2,037
Thirteenth										
Klamath	940	929	906	1,024	1,399	1,424	1,325	1,415	1,561	1,673
Fourteenth										
Lake	134	118	137	151	122	129	148	157	171	217
Fifteenth										
Coos	910	1,077	1,157	1,340	1,502	1,421	1,479	1,602	1,780	2,002
Curry	227	224	250	236	261	259	282	294	367	400
Totals	1,137	1,301	1,407	1,576	1,763	1,680	1,761	1,896	2,147	2,402
Sixteenth										
Douglas	1,450	1,619	1,632	1,993	2,081	2,454	2,596	2,480	2,652	3,138
Seventeenth*										
Lincoln	-	493	575	723	712	783	776	953	980	1,130
Nineteenth										
Clatsop	512	454	491	599	612	550	615	650	623	757
Columbia	556	534	531	654	720	604	629	850	822	934
Tillamook	288	389	388	378	398	400	441	534	635	674
Totals	1,356	1,377	1,410	1,631	1,730	1,554	1,685	2,034	2,080	2,365
Twentieth										
Washington	1,908	2,139	2,351	2,673	3,063	3,057	2,954	3,257	3,656	4,189
Twenty-First										
Benton	612	680	759	802	749	886	1,034	1,148	1,167	1,147
Lincoln	454	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Linn	1,085	1,141	1,246	1,514	1,704	1,746	1,857	1,932	2,300	2,514
Totals	2,151	1,821*	2,005*	2,316*	2,453*	2,632*	2,891*	3,080*	3,467*	3,661*
Statewide Totals	39,790	41,540	44,943	50,987	55,052	56,889	57,505	64,422	66,926	75,141

* New Judicial District composed of Lincoln County created September 9, 1971.

TABLE 3

AGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED COMPUTED FROM
DATE OF FILING

The circuit courts closed 1,991 criminal cases by trial in 1980, a 5% increase from the 1,905 cases tried in 1979. In 1967 the ratio of filings to trials was one trial for every four cases filed. In 1980 the ratio was one trial to every 9.6 cases filed. The trend is toward a decreasing percentage of criminal cases field reaching trial.

The statistical measurements on the age of criminal cases tried include the range in age of cases tried and the mean age. The mean age of all criminal cases tried by the circuit courts in 1980 was 103.3 days from the date of arraignment to trial.

TABLE 3

AGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. of Cases Tried	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
First					
Jackson	52	38	15	388	105.6
Josephine	28	22	5	530	152.7
Second					
Lane	291	165	1	1,807	169.5
Third					
Marion	66	30	11	221	75.8
Fourth					
Multnomah	751	351	8	206	60.2
Fifth					
Clackamas	64	39	29	492	163.8
Sixth					
Morrow	6	5	1	205	64.3
Umatilla	45	29	7	339	56.8
Seventh					
Hood River	14	11	13	199	76.6
Sherman	3	2	121	176	156.7
Wasco	17	9	0	284	91.7
Eighth					
Baker	2	1	14	161	87.5
Ninth					
Harney	6	4	58	277	161.5
Malheur	23	18	7	337	86.6
Tenth					
Union	11	6	44	227	125.0
Wallowa	5	4	50	68	59.2
Eleventh					
Crook	14	7	62	343	140.9
Deschutes	38	28	16	360	122.7
Gilliam	4	2	84	310	208.8
Grant	14	6	20	159	99.0
Jefferson	3	3	81	105	89.3
Wheeler	2	1	0	60	30.0

TABLE 3 - Continued

AGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. of Cases Tried	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
Twelfth					
Polk	42	27	4	273	69.4
Yamhill	18	8	17	651	154.1
Thirteenth					
Klamath	36	23	38	1,133	158.4
Fourteenth					
Lake	4	4	83	237	135.0
Fifteenth					
Coos	29	17	7	269	81.1
Curry	25	20	29	299	135.2
Sixteenth					
Douglas	52	48	16	977	142.3
Seventeenth					
Lincoln	33	19	22	701	140.1
Nineteenth					
Clatsop	22	13	1	426	102.8
Columbia	13	9	8	224	119.8
Tillamook	28	14	17	703	289.5
Twentieth					
Washington	82	69	34	375	134.0
Twenty-First					
Benton	52	33	9	370	117.4
Linn	96	58	5	417	74.6
Totals	1,991	1,143			

TABLE 4

PERCENTAGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED TO CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Each year since 1969, the general trend has been toward a smaller percentage of the number of criminal cases filed being closed by trial. The 1969 data, taken from that year's Annual Report, show 6,675 criminal cases filed and 1,340 cases tried, a 20% trial rate. By 1974 this percentage had dropped to 12.4%, rose to 12.8% in 1975, and declined in 1976 to 11.3%. In 1977, there was a decrease to 10.9% of cases filed. The 1978 data show a small increase to 11.7% of the cases filed and, in 1979, this declined slightly to 11.4%. The 1980 statistic is 10.4%. Generally, the data indicate a trend away from trials in criminal cases.

The number of criminal cases tried by jury in 1980 increased by 9 from the 1,134 recorded in 1979. In 1980, 57% of the criminal trials were by a jury.

TABLE 4

PERCENTAGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED TO CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Judicial District	No. of Cases Filed	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Total No. Cases Tried	% of Cases Tried
First				
Jackson	976	38	52	5.3
Josephine	447	22	28	6.3
Second				
Lane	1,841	165	291	15.8
Third				
Marion	1,205	30	66	5.5
Fourth				
Multnomah	4,758	351	751	15.8
Fifth				
Clackamas	1,166	39	64	5.5
Sixth				
Morrow	33	5	6	18.2
Umatilla	480	29	45	9.4
Seventh				
Hood River	161	11	14	8.7
Sherman	22	2	3	13.6
Wasco	249	9	17	6.8
Eighth				
Baker	159	1	2	1.3
Ninth				
Harney	30	4	6	20.0
Malheur	182	18	23	12.6
Tenth				
Union	151	6	11	7.3
Wallowa	19	4	5	26.3
Eleventh				
Crook	124	7	14	11.3
Deschutes	543	28	38	7.0
Gilliam	20	2	4	20.0
Grant	92	6	14	15.2
Jefferson	115	3	3	2.6
Wheeler	5	1	2	40.0

TABLE 4 - Continued

PERCENTAGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED TO CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Judicial District	No. of Cases Filed	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Total No. Cases Tried	% of Cases Tried
Twelfth				
Polk	239	27	42	17.6
Yamhill	321	8	18	5.6
Thirteenth				
Klamath	425	23	36	8.5
Fourteenth				
Lake	42	4	4	9.5
Fifteenth				
Coos	693	17	29	4.2
Curry	69	20	25	36.2
Sixteenth				
Douglas	1,288	48	52	4.0
Seventeenth				
Lincoln	342	19	33	9.6
Nineteenth				
Clatsop	213	13	22	10.3
Columbia	310	9	13	4.2
Tillamook	282	14	28	9.9
Twentieth				
Washington	977	69	82	8.4
Twenty-First				
Benton	343	33	52	15.2
Linn	755	58	96	12.7
Totals	19,077	1,143	1,991	10.4

TABLE 5

AGE OF ALL CIVIL CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

The table shows the number, the range in age, and the mean age of civil cases tried during 1980. The 1954 edition of this report declared a major goal of judicial administration in Oregon to be the trial of all civil cases within six to eight months from date of filing. This table shows that only five of the 36 circuit courts achieved a mean age of civil cases tried of eight months or less. Eight of the courts with a mean age over eight months were between eight and ten months. The remaining 23 courts had a mean age between 10 and 22 months. The mean age for all civil cases tried in 1980 is 403 days or 13.4 months. This is a 22 day increase over the 381 day average recorded in 1979.

TABLE 5

AGE OF ALL CIVIL CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. of Cases Tried	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
First					
Jackson	73	22	19	964	396.9
Josephine	44	14	12	1,752	382.1
Second					
Lane	248	118	58	2,030	420.3
Third					
Marion	306	92	11	1,364	340.6
Fourth					
Multnomah	809	425	4	1,860	460.8
Fifth					
Clackamas	229	70	12	2,010	395.3
Sixth					
Morrow	18	8	16	603	204.2
Umatilla	60	35	10	1,941	283.4
Seventh					
Hood River	10	3	167	883	489.5
Sherman	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wasco	18	6	23	873	281.1
Eighth					
Baker	17	8	97	688	285.8
Ninth					
Harney	14	8	34	728	363.2
Malheur	22	15	77	1,978	492.8
Tenth					
Union	42	8	1	419	158.6
Wallowa	16	5	1	600	208.1
Eleventh					
Crook	6	5	115	1,444	526.0
Deschutes	81	37	110	1,014	398.0
Gilliam	1	0	311	311	311.0
Grant	16	13	28	512	252.7
Jefferson	13	9	382	1,116	622.0
Wheeler	1	0	272	272	272.0

TABLE 5

AGE OF ALL CIVIL CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. of Cases Tried	No. Cases Tried By Jury	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
Twelfth					
Polk	54	14	8	1,064	268.1
Yamhill	48	15	7	1,378	466.9
Thirteenth					
Klamath	59	22	7	1,798	602.1
Fourteenth					
Lake	8	3	91	448	237.5
Fifteenth					
Coos	59	44	49	652	229.7
Curry	34	15	139	642	296.8
Sixteenth					
Douglas	57	20	112	865	398.4
Seventeenth					
Lincoln	35	19	134	1,364	578.1
Nineteenth					
Clatsop	24	12	67	566	273.9
Columbia	27	15	81	854	398.5
Tillamook	17	7	130	1,168	608.6
Twentieth					
Washington	100	42	15	1,314	410.0
Twenty-First					
Benton	64	22	19	1,342	292.0
Linn	46	25	24	1,839	532.4
Totals	2,676	1,176			

TABLE 6

AGE OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

There were ten circuit courts with a mean age of dissolution cases tried over 240 days. The mean age of dissolution cases tried for all circuit courts was 249.3 days.

The number of cases tried in 1980 decreased 7% below the 2,147 cases tried in 1979. The decrease in trials accompanies a decline in total dissolution filings in 1980. The 2,047 trials represent 7.5% of the 27,103 cases filed. This comparatively low percentage of cases proceeding to trial may be the result of the abolition of the doctrines of fault and *in pari delicto* in suits for the dissolution of a marriage.

TABLE 6

AGE OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. Cases Tried	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
First				
Jackson	83	107	799	325.1
Josephine	57	39	672	203.0
Second				
Lane	188	14	1,941	259.0
Third				
Marion	161	69	680	267.3
Fourth				
Multnomah	422	40	684	273.4
Fifth				
Clackamas	160	61	925	270.6
Sixth				
Morrow	7	107	240	175.0
Umatilla	50	2	510	149.7
Seventh				
Hood River	9	60	252	172.1
Sherman	0	0	0	0.0
Wasco	23	46	521	188.3
Eighth				
Baker	8	58	190	134.1
Ninth				
Harney	6	169	356	245.6
Malheur	16	104	608	236.6
Tenth				
Union	28	84	391	170.8
Wallowa	7	113	287	217.4
Eleventh				
Crook	16	143	862	304.8
Deschutes	60	83	652	253.0
Gilliam	0	0	0	0.0
Grant	15	96	413	185.2
Jefferson	13	171	1,022	437.2
Wheeler	1	226	226	226.0

TABLE 6 - Continued

AGE OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE CASES TRIED
COMPUTED FROM DATE OF FILING

Judicial District	No. Cases Tried	Youngest in Days	Oldest in Days	Mean Age of Case Tried in Days
Twelfth				
Polk	38	97	672	191.9
Yamhill	47	68	569	239.3
Thirteenth				
Klamath	61	7	952	294.8
Fourteenth				
Lake	2	159	173	166.0
Fifteenth				
Coos	43	31	583	178.0
Curry	29	79	486	237.2
Sixteenth				
Douglas	45	37	771	329.2
Seventeenth				
Lincoln	29	115	1,008	390.6
Nineteenth				
Clatsop	22	40	327	146.8
Columbia	61	8	629	197.4
Tillamook	8	200	649	425.9
Twentieth				
Washington	143	67	475	227.5
Twenty-First				
Benton	82	17	346	146.1
Linn	107	42	748	229.7
Totals	2,047			

TABLE 7

PERCENTAGE OF CIVIL AND DISSOLUTION CASES TRIED TO CASES FILED

The number of civil cases tried, including dissolution proceedings, had established at 3,800 trials from 1972 through 1974 and the percentage of cases closed by trial declined in each of those years. In 1975 the number of civil trials increased 22% to 4,671.

In 1976, the number of civil cases tried increased to 4,890. In 1977, there was a decline in cases tried down to 4,520 trials. In 1978 the number of cases tried increased to 4,689 and, in 1979, trials increased to 4,976. The percentage of civil cases tried in 1980 was 8.4% of filings compared to 9.9% in 1979 and 12.3% in 1972.

TABLE 7

PERCENTAGE OF CIVIL AND DISSOLUTION CASES TRIED TO CASES FILED

Judicial District	No. of Cases Filed	Total No. Cases Tried	% of Cases Tried
First			
Jackson	2,517	156	6.2
Josephine	1,026	101	9.8
Second			
Lane	5,952	436	7.3
Third			
Marion	4,182	467	11.2
Fourth			
Multnomah	17,940	1,231	6.9
Fifth			
Clackamas	3,787	389	10.3
Sixth			
Morrow	186	25	13.4
Umatilla	1,153	110	9.5
Seventh			
Hood River	250	19	7.6
Sherman	24	0	0.0
Wasco	500	41	8.2
Eighth			
Baker	321	25	7.8
Ninth			
Harney	183	20	10.9
Malheur	602	38	6.3
Tenth			
Union	464	70	15.1
Wallowa	145	23	15.9
Eleventh			
Crook	230	22	9.6
Deschutes	1,564	141	9.0
Gilliam	32	1	3.1
Grant	205	31	15.1
Jefferson	256	26	10.2
Wheeler	32	2	6.3

TABLE 7 - Continued

PERCENTAGE OF CIVIL AND DISSOLUTION CASES TRIED TO CASES FILED

Judicial District	No. of Cases Filed	Total No. Cases Tried	% of Cases Tried
Twelfth			
Polk	747	92	12.3
Yamhill	730	95	13.0
Thirteenth			
Klamath	1,248	120	9.6
Fourteenth			
Lake	175	10	5.7
Fifteenth			
Coos	1,309	102	7.8
Curry	331	63	19.0
Sixteenth			
Douglas	1,850	102	5.5
Seventeenth			
Lincoln	788	64	8.1
Nineteenth			
Clatsop	544	46	8.5
Columbia	624	88	14.1
Tillamook	392	25	6.4
Twentieth			
Washington	3,212	243	7.6
Twenty-First			
Benton	804	146	18.2
Linn	1,759	153	8.7
Totals	56,064	4,723	8.4

TABLE 8

WORKING DAYS OF HELP RECEIVED BY DISTRICTS FROM VISITING CIRCUIT JUDGES, FROM CIRCUIT JUDGES PRO TEMPORE AS WELL AS NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS OF HELP GIVEN TO OTHER DISTRICTS

In 1979, the circuit courts used 1,441.5 days of help and gave 508, leaving a balance of 933.5 days' help received from district court judges, senior judges, and lawyers who are appointed to serve as circuit court judges pro tempore. This level of temporary assistance is lower than the 1,492 days of help received by the circuit courts in 1979, a drop of 37%. The availability of temporary assistance was reduced significantly through budget cuts by the Special Session of the Legislature in August, 1980.

The judicial year is composed of 250 regular working days exclusive of vacations and other leaves of absence. The 933.5 days of help received from sources other than the regular circuit judges represent 3.73 full-time equivalent judicial positions for 1980.

TABLE 8

WORKING DAYS OF HELP RECEIVED BY DISTRICTS FROM VISITING CIRCUIT JUDGES, FROM CIRCUIT JUDGES PRO TEMPORE, AND FROM DISTRICT COURT JUDGES AS WELL AS NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS OF HELP GIVEN TO OTHER DISTRICTS

Judicial District	Days of Help Received From: A Visiting Circuit Judges	B District Court Judges	C Judges Pro Tempore	Days of Help Given to Other Districts	Net Days of Help Given (-) or Received (+)
1. Fifteenth					
Coos	2.0	0.0	0.0	41.5	- 39.5
Curry	5.0	0.0	0.0	32.0	- 27.0
Totals	7.0	0.0	0.0	73.5	- 66.5
2. Eighth					
Baker	22.0	0.0	9.0	86.5	- 55.5
3. Fourteenth					
Lake	11.0	0.0	0.0	54.5	- 43.5
4. Twelfth					
Polk	3.5	0.0	0.0	6.0	- 2.5
Yamhill	13.5	0.0	3.0	24.5	- 8.0
Totals	17.0	0.0	3.0	30.5	- 10.5
5. Tenth					
Union	6.0	0.5	0.5	14.5	- 7.5
Wallowa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 0.0
Totals	6.0	0.5	0.5	14.5	- 7.5
6. Sixteenth					
Douglas	12.5	0.5	0.0	16.5	- 3.5
7. Fifth					
Clackamas	8.0	0.0	2.0	8.0	+ 2.0
8. Sixth					
Morrow	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Umatilla	16.0	0.0	0.0	8.0	+ 8.0
Totals	16.0	0.0	0.0	8.0	+ 8.0
9. Seventh					
Hood River	1.0	0.0	4.5	0.0	+ 5.5
Sherman	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	+ 0.5
Wasco	0.0	2.0	11.0	8.0	+ 5.0
Totals	1.0	2.0	16.0	8.0	+ 11.0
10. Twenty-First					
Benton	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.5	- 8.5
Linn	15.0	0.0	9.5	0.0	+ 24.5
Totals	15.0	0.0	9.5	8.5	+ 16.0

TABLE 8 - Continued

WORKING DAYS OF HELP RECEIVED BY DISTRICTS FROM VISITING CIRCUIT JUDGES, FROM CIRCUIT JUDGES PRO TEMPORE, AND FROM DISTRICT COURT JUDGES AS WELL AS NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS OF HELP GIVEN TO OTHER DISTRICTS

Judicial District	Days of Help Received From A Visiting Circuit Judges	B District Court Judges	C Judges Pro Tempore	Days of Help Given to Other Districts	Net Days of Help Given (-) or Received (+)
11. Ninth					
Harney	14.5	0.0	0.0	12.5	+ 2.0
Malheur	32.0	0.0	1.0	12.0	+ 21.0
Totals	46.5	0.0	1.0	24.5	+ 23.0
12. Second					
Lane	35.5	0.0	23.0	34.0	+ 24.5
13. Nineteenth					
Clatsop	15.0	0.0	3.5	12.0	+ 6.5
Columbia	3.5	1.0	21.5	0.0	+ 26.0
Tillamook	15.5	0.0	0.0	19.0	- 3.5
Totals	34.0	1.0	25.0	31.0	+ 29.0
14. Eleventh					
Crook	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 2.5
Deschutes	17.0	11.0	0.0	1.0	+ 27.0
Gilliam	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grant	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 1.0
Jefferson	2.5	1.0	0.0	0.0	+ 3.5
Wheeler	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	23.0	12.0	0.0	1.0	+ 34.0
15. Third					
Marion	31.0	0.0	64.0	55.0	+ 40.0
16. Thirteenth					
Klamath	6.5	39.5	11.0	8.5	+ 48.0
17. Seventeenth					
Lincoln	34.0	0.0	37.5	2.0	+ 69.5
18. Twentieth					
Washington	38.5	19.0	122.0	36.0	+143.5
19. First					
Jackson	16.5	0.0	81.0	2.5	+ 95.0
Josephine	61.0	13.5	9.5	3.0	+ 81.0
Totals	77.5	13.5	90.5	5.5	+176.0
20. Fourth					
Multnomah	66.0	0.0	431.5	2.0	+495.5
Statewide Totals	508.0	88.0	845.5	508.0	+933.5

TABLE 9

TOTAL CASES FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING
PER REGULAR JUDGE

The number of cases filed per judge, and its increase each year, is an important measure of judicial workload. During the ten-year period from 1971, the number of cases filed per judge has increased 51% from 663 to 999 cases. The number of cases terminated per judge has increased 39% from 658 to 912 cases. The number of cases filed per judge is compounding at 4.2% per year over the last ten years. This means that the number of judges available to meet growth in case filings always lags behind demand.

The judges are faced with a filings-terminations spiral that demands more judicial time each year. Since new positions do not keep pace with this demand, the result is a constant growth in the backlog of pending cases. Since 1978, the pending caseload per judge has been growing at an average annual rate of 8.6% per year.

TABLE 9

TOTAL CASES FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING
PER REGULAR JUDGE

Judicial District	Number of Regular Judges	Net Days of Help Given (-) Or Received(+)	Filings Per Regular Judge	Terminations Per Regular Judge	Cases Pending Per Regular Judge
First					
Jackson	3.0	+ 95.0	1,164	1,077	795
Josephine	1.0	+ 81.0	1,473	1,330	925
	4.0	+176.0	1,242	1,140	827
Second					
Lane	8.0	+ 24.5	974	822	796
Third					
Marion	6.0	+ 40.0	898	818	545
Fourth					
Multnomah	19.0	+495.5	1,195	1,120	699
Fifth					
Clackamas	5.0	+ 2.0	991	873	642
Sixth					
Morrow		0.0			
Umatilla	2.0	+ 8.0			
	2.0	+ 8.0	926	911	268
Seventh					
Hood River		+ 5.5			
Sherman		+ 0.5			
Wasco	1.0	+ 5.0			
	1.0	+ 11.0	1,206	1,056	618
Eighth					
Baker	1.0	- 55.5	480	489	189
Ninth					
Harney		+ 2.0			
Malheur	1.0	+ 21.0			
	1.0	+ 23.0	997	1,017	419
Tenth					
Union	1.0	- 7.5			
Wallowa		0.0			
	1.0	- 7.5	779	712	330
Eleventh					
Crook		+ 2.5			
Deschutes	2.0	+ 27.0			
Gilliam		0.0			
Grant	1.0	+ 1.0			
Jefferson		+ 3.5			
Wheeler		0.0			
	3.0	+ 34.0	1,073	952	693

TABLE 9 - Continued

TOTAL CASES FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING
PER REGULAR JUDGE

Judicial District	Number of Regular Judges	Net Days of Help Given (-) or Received (+)	Filings Per Regular Judge	Terminations Per Regular Judge	Cases Pending Per Regular Judge
Twelfth					
Polk	1.5	- 2.5	657	617	291
Yamhill	1.5	- 8.0	701	648	435
	3.0	- 10.5	679	633	363
Thirteenth					
Klamath	2.0	+ 48.5	837	622	966
Fourteenth					
Lake	1.0	- 43.5	217	188	105
Fifteenth					
Coos	2.0	- 39.5	1,001	904	398
Curry	1.0	- 27.0	400	410	168
	3.0	- 66.5	801	739	321
Sixteenth					
Douglas	3.0	- 3.5	1,046	1,005	502
Seventeenth					
Lincoln	1.0	+ 69.5	1,130	937	853
Nineteenth					
Clatsop	1.0	+ 6.5	757	646	422
Columbia	1.0	+ 26.0	934	807	739
Tillamook	1.0	- 3.5	674	609	532
	3.0	+ 29.0	788	687	564
Twentieth					
Washington	4.0	+143.5	1,047	935	637
Twenty-First					
Benton	2.0	- 8.5	574	579	340
Linn	2.0	+ 24.5	1,257	1,146	748
	4.0	+ 16.0	915	862	544
Statewide Totals	75.0	+933.5	999	912	620

TABLE 10

PERCENTAGE OF DECEDENTS' ESTATES PENDING OVER THREE YEARS

At the end of 1980, there were 7,050 decedents' estates pending in the circuit, district, and county courts. This is an increase of 1.6% from the 6,934 cases pending at the end of 1979. The 1980 increase in pending cases is accompanied by a small decrease in estates filed from the 1979 level of 4,846.

The percentage of decedents' estates pending over three years is a very low 7.4%; there is only one court reporting over 20% of the pending cases above the three-year level. This is a substantial improvement in reducing the aged backlog of these estates.

TABLE 10

PERCENTAGE OF DECEDENTS' ESTATES PENDING OVER THREE YEARS

Judicial District	Court Handling Decedents' Estates	Estates Filed	Estates Pending 12-31-80	Pending Over 3 Yrs.	% Over 3 Years
First					
Jackson	Circuit	181	240	18	7.5
Josephine	Circuit	99	183	24	13.1
Second					
Lane	Circuit	370	504	25	5.0
Third					
Marion	Circuit	343	577	65	11.3
Fourth					
Multnomah	Circuit	1,426	2,055	63	3.0
Fifth					
Clackamas	Circuit	299	501	52	10.4
Sixth					
Morrow	Circuit	13	22	3	13.6
Umatilla	Circuit	133	157	4	2.5
Seventh					
Hood River	Circuit	42	87	23	26.4
Sherman	County	8	15	3	20.0
Wasco	District	53	87	11	12.6
Eighth					
Baker	Circuit	50	61	2	3.3
Ninth					
Harney	County	28	51	9	17.6
Malheur	County	54	89	16	18.0
Tenth					
Union	Circuit	50	62	0	0.0
Wallowa	Circuit	18	32	1	3.1
Eleventh					
Crook	Circuit	13	25	0	0.0
Deschutes	Circuit	93	134	12	9.0
Gilliam	County	11	10	0	9.0
Grant	County	16	28	4	14.3
Jefferson	Circuit	18	25	2	8.0
Wheeler	County	7	4	0	0.0

TABLE 10 - Continued

PERCENTAGE OF DECEDENTS' ESTATES PENDING OVER THREE YEARS

Judicial District	Court Handling Decedents' Estates	Estates Filed	Estates Pending 12-31-80	Pending Over 3 Yrs.	% Over 3 Years
Twelfth					
Polk	Circuit	71	93	8	8.6
Yamhill	Circuit	101	148	9	6.0
Thirteenth					
Klamath	Circuit	117	237	40	16.8
Fourteenth					
Lake	Circuit	30	49	0	0.0
Fifteenth					
Coos	Circuit	146	177	10	5.6
Curry	Circuit	26	36	1	2.8
Sixteenth					
Douglas	Circuit	155	230	15	6.5
Seventeenth					
Lincoln	Circuit	91	154	17	11.0
Nineteenth					
Clatsop	Circuit	78	111	13	11.7
Columbia	Circuit	69	120	23	19.2
Tillamook	Circuit	41	55	7	12.7
Twentieth					
Washington	Circuit	273	406	34	8.4
Twenty-First					
Benton	Circuit	95	105	2	1.9
Linn	Circuit	139	180	9	5.0
Totals		4,757	7,050	525	7.4

TABLE 11

GUARDIANSHIPS AND CONSERVATORSHIPS FILED, CLOSED AND PENDING

The number of guardianships and conservatorships filed in 1980 increased by 23 from the 2,027 cases filed in 1979. The number of cases terminated decreased 17% from 2,020 to 1,662 terminations. There was a 3.6% increase in cases pending at the end of the year.

TABLE 11

GUARDIANSHIPS AND CONSERVATORSHIPS FILED, CLOSED AND PENDING

Judicial District	Court Handling Jurisdiction	No. Pending 12-31-79	Number Filed	Number Terminated	No. Pending 12-31-80	Annual Reports Filed
First						
Jackson	Circuit	445	107	100	434	237
Josephine	Circuit	176	49	43	174	91
Second						
Lane	Circuit	752	180	162	756	539
Third						
Marion	Circuit	964	245	87	1,009	296
Fourth						
Multnomah	Circuit	2,326	518	512	2,303	826
Fifth						
Clackamas	Circuit	631	142	106	652	122
Sixth						
Morrow	Circuit	16	3	10	16	6
Umatilla	Circuit	148	43	51	151	76
Seventh						
Hood River	Circuit	153	12	9	151	5
Sherman	County	8	2	0	10	0
Wasco	Circuit	80	8	13	79	47
Eighth						
Baker	Circuit	64	21	18	66	39
Ninth						
Harney	County	36	5	1	37	0
Malheur	County	111	33	12	114	22
Tenth						
Union	Circuit	57	17	11	59	18
Wallowa	Circuit	9	3	2	10	24
Eleventh						
Crook	Circuit	30	11	14	31	11
Deschutes	Circuit	138	28	27	139	55
Gilliam	County	5	1	3	4	2
Grant	County	23	5	7	21	3
Jefferson	Circuit	25	5	3	25	0
Wheeler	County	21	0	0	21	1

TABLE 11 - Continued

GUARDIANSHIPS AND CONSERVATORSHIPS FILED, CLOSED AND PENDING

Judicial District	Court Handling Jurisdiction	No. Pending 12-31-79	Number Filed	Number Terminated	No. Pending 12-31-80	Annual Reports Filed
Twelfth						
Polk	Circuit	132	48	17	143	82
Yamhill	Circuit	151	37	21	155	86
Thirteenth						
Klamath	Circuit	306	76	106	290	182
Fourteenth						
Lake	Circuit	50	3	6	49	9
Fifteenth						
Coos	Circuit	185	45	40	180	122
Curry	Circuit	33	6	7	33	21
Sixteenth						
Douglas	Circuit	350	62	43	360	141
Seventeenth						
Lincoln	Circuit	104	30	14	108	50
Nineteenth						
Clatsop	Circuit	214	30	9	218	46
Columbia	Circuit	150	30	17	155	35
Tillamook	Circuit	70	18	10	68	19
Twentieth						
Washington	Circuit	525	97	80	526	132
Twenty-First						
Benton	Circuit	108	52	57	105	76
Linn	Circuit	357	78	44	372	61
Statewide Totals		8,873	2,050	1,662	8,944	3,482

TABLE 12

NUMBER OF PETITIONS FILED

The number of mental competency petitions filed dropped 4% in 1980 from 3,738 to 3,596. The number of petitions for adoption increased 4% over the previous year from 2,105 to 2,197. The number of juvenile petitions filed decreased 24% in 1980, dropping from 15,667 to 11,492.

TABLE 12

NUMBER OF PETITIONS FILED

Judicial District	Court Handling Jurisdiction	Mental Competency	Adoption	Juvenile
First				
Jackson	Circuit	294	132	792
Josephine	Circuit	69	51	290
Second				
Lane	Circuit	227	235	1,139
Third				
Marion	Circuit	713	168	855
Fourth				
Multnomah	Circuit	1,267	565	2,761
Fifth				
Clackamas	Circuit	238	182	629
Sixth				
Morrow	Circuit	0	4	3
Umatilla	Circuit	25	26	452
Seventh				
Hood River	Circuit	11	8	51
Sherman	County	0	2	4
Wasco	Circuit	18	17	130
Eighth				
Baker	Circuit	9	33	72
Ninth				
Harney	Circuit	4	4	36
Malheur	Circuit	13	24	103
Tenth				
Union	Circuit	5	27	230
Wallowa	Circuit	5	13	16
Eleventh				
Crook	Circuit	0	14	108
Deschutes	Circuit	50	59	120
Gilliam	County	0	0	15
Grant	Circuit	1	6	28
Jefferson	Circuit	3	5	56
Wheeler	County	0	1	15

TABLE 12 - Continued

NUMBER OF PETITIONS FILED

Judicial District	Court Handling Jurisdiction	Mental Competency	Adoption	Juvenile
Twelfth				
Polk	Circuit	50	20	375
Yamhill	Circuit	65	53	268
Thirteenth				
Klamath	Circuit	36	61	436
Fourteenth				
Lake	Circuit	3	6	75
Fifteenth				
Coos	Circuit	82	60	344
Curry	Circuit	12	9	115
Sixteenth				
Douglas	Circuit	170	79	561
Seventeenth				
Lincoln	Circuit	18	25	120
Nineteenth				
Clatsop	Circuit	28	28	98
Columbia	Circuit	16	27	279
Tillamook	Circuit	29	18	48
Twentieth				
Washington	Circuit	57	127	552
Twenty-First				
Benton	Circuit	39	33	108
Linn	Circuit	39	75	180
Statewide Totals		3,596	2,197	11,492

DISTRICT COURTS

TABLE 1

TOTAL CASES FILED

The 624,656 cases filed in the district courts in 1980 represent a 24,721 case increase, 4.1% above 1979. The number of traffic infraction offenses filed increased 1.6%; misdemeanors increased 16%, preliminary felony matters 12%, and civil cases dropped 1%. The number of small claims cases filed in 1980 grew 10%.

The profile of cases filed is dominated by traffic offenses. These cases made up 71% of the filings in 1980; misdemeanors were 14%, felony matters 2%, civil cases 5%, and small claims 8%.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanor and Violation Offenses	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Benton	7,591	1,602	203	437	926	10,759
2. Clackamas	25,134	5,133	237	2,698	3,115	36,317
3. Clatsop	7,826	1,116	256	311	628	10,137
4. Columbia	7,250	2,269	167	314	563	10,563
5. Coos	17,729	3,672	276	621	1,849	24,147
6. Crook*	2,578	652	133	139	280	3,782
7. Curry	2,442	386	106	122	126	3,182
8. Deschutes	12,692	1,463	302	1,112	2,139	17,708
9. Douglas	18,421	1,872	1,102	1,096	2,888	25,379
10. Hood River	5,676	734	200	82	333	7,025
11. Jackson	30,155	5,916	445	1,170	3,053	40,733
12. Jefferson*	3,509	600	106	101	163	4,479
13. Josephine	23,539	2,993	460	544	986	28,522
14. Klamath	11,694	2,305	319	955	1,478	16,751
15. Lane	36,295	6,195	1,216	2,773	7,036	53,515
16. Lincoln	8,494	2,763	268	421	551	12,497
17. Linn	15,183	3,992	492	931	1,882	22,480
18. Marion	15,801	3,319	304	3,118	3,063	25,605
19. Morrow-Umatilla	3,602	132	3	66	156	3,959
20. Multnomah	112,860	24,126	2,803	12,537	13,417	165,743
21. Polk	6,824	853	240	402	482	8,801
22. Umatilla	13,914	830	374	506	1,277	16,901
23. Union*	10,405	1,956	147	136	411	13,055
24. Wallowa*	1,115	369	5	49	152	1,690
25. Wasco	13,979	1,646	183	145	447	16,400
26. Washington	18,357	6,342	1,144	2,907	3,281	32,031
27. Yamhill	9,183	1,566	199	462	1,085	12,495
TOTALS	442,248	84,796	11,690	34,155	51,767	624,656

* The Crook-Jefferson and Union-Wallowa two county districts are each served by a single judge.

TABLE 2

TOTAL CASES TERMINATED

The 607,649 cases terminated represent an increase of 24,635 over 1979. This is a 4.2% increase in terminations. The number of traffic offenses terminated increased 2.6%. Misdemeanors terminated increased 14%, felony matters 14%, and small claims 6%. The number of civil offenses terminated in 1980 decreased 1%.

The composition of cases terminated is 71% traffic, 13% misdemeanors, 2% felony matters, 6% civil cases, and 8% small claims.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanor and Violation Offenses	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Benton	8,236	1,503	230	436	960	11,365
2. Clackamas	18,448	3,896	197	2,579	3,016	28,136
3. Clatsop	7,885	1,000	256	336	626	10,103
4. Columbia	6,987	2,234	152	301	594	10,268
5. Coos	18,415	3,896	260	585	1,848	25,004
6. Crook*	2,433	627	141	176	430	3,807
7. Curry	2,405	365	99	129	142	3,140
8. Deschutes	12,414	1,463	302	963	2,123	17,265
9. Douglas	17,943	1,706	1,051	1,194	3,116	25,010
10. Hood River	5,699	727	199	77	328	7,030
11. Jackson	31,067	5,560	443	1,089	2,868	41,027
12. Jefferson*	3,351	644	131	117	260	4,503
13. Josephine	23,433	2,783	413	551	893	28,073
14. Klamath	14,269	2,261	333	1,037	1,431	19,331
15. Lane	37,638	5,527	1,204	2,486	6,804	53,659
16. Lincoln	7,888	2,780	293	402	485	11,848
17. Linn	14,938	3,684	451	935	1,801	21,809
18. Marion	15,408	3,174	240	2,659	2,454	23,935
19. Morrow-Umatilla	3,740	67	2	46	111	3,966
20. Multnomah	107,213	22,281	2,784	13,270	12,524	158,072
21. Polk	6,891	828	242	355	479	8,795
22. Umatilla	13,892	841	358	483	1,326	16,900
23. Union*	10,340	1,875	146	139	343	12,843
24. Wallowa*	1,104	416	5	49	127	1,701
25. Wasco	12,843	1,735	150	143	410	15,281
26. Washington	18,358	6,992	1,122	2,738	2,944	32,154
27. Yamhill	9,568	1,548	196	394	918	12,624
TOTALS	432,806	80,413	11,400	33,669	49,361	607,649

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TABLE 3

COMPARATIVE TABLE

TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR

The number of cases filed in the district courts in 1980 was 39% higher than 1974. The increase is the result of the addition of new district courts in 1973, 1975, 1979, and 1980, and generally higher filings since 1974. There were increases of 5.3% and 17% for the years 1973 and 1974 respectively. A 2% increase in 1975 was followed by a 21% increase in 1976. A net 1% decline in 1977 was due entirely to a decline in traffic cases. There were substantial increases in 1977 in the civil and criminal filings, which generally require the majority of a judge's time. In 1978, the caseload grew 10% and the 1979 filings increased 0.2%. The average rate of increase in district court filings is 4.8% per year from 1974 to 1980.

County	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
1. Multnomah	131,404	121,196	138,405	129,778	149,903	160,877	165,743
2. Lane	39,422	42,335	54,009	52,114	55,584	54,528	53,515
3. Jackson	32,373	35,109	44,301	43,066	43,305	43,768	40,733
4. Clackamas	19,636	21,433	29,340	29,564	34,967	34,732	36,317
5. Washington	22,422	25,544	28,764	26,890	31,930	31,613	32,031
6. Josephine	15,178	16,224	18,864	22,894	26,050	28,708	28,522
7. Douglas	24,941	26,064	31,297	34,797	28,537	24,989	25,379
8. Marion	33,002	33,673	36,158	29,529	33,921	30,826	25,605
9. Coos	13,014	13,591	17,619	21,151	24,196	23,282	24,147
10. Linn	11,501	12,693	12,240	11,828	18,183	22,521	22,480
11. Deschutes	7,946	8,865	13,060	15,927	18,585	16,160	17,708
12. Umatilla	10,677	11,363	17,322	15,976	15,656	15,541	16,901
13. Klamath	17,474	16,106	20,007	18,813	18,626	16,580	16,751
14. Wasco	10,045	10,194	11,669	12,772	13,120	10,312	16,400
15. Union-	-	3,951	13,885	13,004	13,826	14,152	13,055
Wallowa*	-	303	1,292	931	1,056	1,433	1,690
16. Lincoln	9,047	7,857	10,259	9,833	11,505	11,547	12,497
17. Yamhill	8,774	10,126	10,760	11,598	11,809	12,900	12,495
18. Benton	8,569	8,422	8,537	9,778	11,309	11,936	10,759
19. Columbia	6,632	6,464	7,281	9,335	9,427	9,361	10,563
20. Clatsop	9,753	9,196	9,749	8,992	9,083	8,591	10,137
21. Polk	7,598	6,868	7,958	10,304	11,410	10,541	8,801
22. Hood River	7,771	7,957	9,026	8,624	9,855	7,164	7,025
23. Crook-	-	-	-	-	-	0	3,782
Jefferson*	-	-	-	-	-	946	4,479
24. Morrow-Umatilla	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,959
25. Curry	2,431	2,153	1,483	1,656	2,049	1,816	3,182
Totals	449,610	457,687	553,285	549,154	603,892	604,824	624,656

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TABLE 4

TOTAL CASES
PENDING, FILED, AND TERMINATED
PER REGULAR JUDGE

The number of cases filed per judge in the district courts is one measure of workload and its increase each year. In 1980, there were 11,149 cases filed per judge. This is a decrease of 4.3% over the 1979 filings of 11,653 cases. The number of cases terminated per judge, an indication of how well the district courts handled their workload, increased 2.4%, from 11,189 to 11,461 cases. In addition to the 54.5 regular judges, there was some pro tempore assistance used during the year. In 1980, there were 884 days of pro tempore help given to the district courts. This is equivalent of 3.5 full-time judges.

County	Number of Regular Judges	Days of Pro Tem Help Received	Cases Filed Per Regular Judge	Cases Terminated Per Regular Judge	Cases Pending Per Regular Judge
1. Curry	1	0.0	3,182	3,140	293
2. Morrow-Umatilla	0.5	0.0	3,959	3,966	1,060
3. Hood River	1	0.5	7,025	7,030	894
4. Marion	3	12.5	8,535	7,978	1,959
5. Washington	4	10.0	8,008	8,039	2,301
6. Crook-	1	0.0	3,782	3,807	545
Jefferson*		0.0	4,479	4,503	812
7. Deschutes	2	2.0	8,854	8,633	1,319
8. Polk	1	3.5	8,801	8,795	644
9. Clackamas	3	64.0	12,106	9,379	6,175
10. Klamath	2	1.0	8,376	9,666	3,400
11. Clatsop	1	0.0	10,137	10,103	1,639
12. Columbia	1	0.0	10,563	10,268	2,279
13. Lane	5	40.0	10,703	10,836	4,758
14. Benton	1	18.5	10,759	11,365	1,875
15. Lincoln	1	8.0	12,497	11,848	2,307
16. Multnomah	13	472.5	12,749	12,173	6,887
17. Coos	2	22.0	12,074	12,502	1,922
18. Douglas	2	6.0	12,690	12,505	2,831
19. Yamhill	1	10.0	12,495	12,624	1,650
20. Jackson	3	4.0	13,578	13,676	2,401
21. Josephine	2	18.0	14,261	14,037	1,647
22. Union-	1	7.0	13,055	12,843	1,477
Wallowa*		0.0	1,690	1,701	212
23. Wasco	1	0.0	16,400	15,281	3,002
24. Umatilla	1	0.0	16,901	19,900	941
25. Linn	1	178.5	22,480	21,809	8,577
TOTALS	54.5	884.00	11,149	11,461	3,754

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TABLE 5

TOTAL CASES PENDING

The analysis of all district court cases pending at the conclusion of 1980 shows that 65% were traffic infractions, 20% misdemeanor, 1% felony cases, 7% civil, and 7% small claims. Compared to 1979 data, there was an 8% increase in traffic cases pending, a 10% increase in criminal cases, a 3% increase in civil cases, and a 20% increase in small claims cases. Overall, the pending caseload grew 9.2%.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanor and Violation Offenses	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Curry	151	78	13	27	24	293
2. Polk	254	114	4	210	62	644
3. Umatilla	533	97	16	155	140	941
4. Hood River	698	112	6	46	32	894
5. Morrow-Umatilla	915	65	2	29	49	1,060
6. Yamhill	739	305	5	228	373	1,650
7. Crook-	313	135	12	56	29	545
Jefferson*	619	108	16	42	27	812
8. Clatsop	980	388	38	131	102	1,639
9. Benton	1,032	514	37	139	153	1,875
10. Union-	993	305	31	37	111	1,477
Wallowa*	107	41	0	19	45	212
11. Columbia	1,731	229	52	180	87	2,279
12. Lincoln	1,261	696	35	158	157	2,307
13. Deschutes	1,721	255	1	409	241	2,637
14. Coos	2,063	1,056	16	226	482	3,843
15. Josephine	2,134	580	63	188	328	3,293
16. Wasco	2,331	495	37	46	93	3,002
17. Marion	2,486	711	70	1,408	1,203	5,878
18. Douglas	3,726	446	369	369	749	5,662
19. Klamath	5,068	1,020	3	374	335	6,800
20. Jackson	3,898	2,217	35	582	472	7,204
21. Linn	6,120	1,277	124	390	666	8,577
22. Washington	4,552	1,838	77	1,157	1,579	9,203
23. Clackamas	13,296	2,811	51	1,306	1,060	18,524
24. Lane	16,097	3,783	208	1,725	1,977	23,790
25. Multnomah	58,556	22,270	516	4,883	3,305	89,530
TOTALS	132,384	41,949	1,837	14,520	13,881	204,571

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JUSTICE COURTS

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	*BAKER, Baker*	*COLUMBIA, Clatskanie*	*CURRY, Brookings*[2]	*CURRY, Port Orford*	*DOUGLAS, Canyonville*	*DOUGLAS, Drain*	*DOUGLAS, Reedsport*	*DOUGLAS, Glendale*	*GILLIAM, Arlington*
CASES FILED - 1980	7,669	381	2,147	3,290	3,794	2,859	6,605	4,548	8,526
Civil	145	0	5	1	21	4	30	7	0
Small Claims	50	0	30	3	171	10	33	20	0
Offenses	388	8	101	95	233	177	359	124	49
Traffic	7,086	373	2,011	3,191	3,369	2,668	6,183	4,397	8,477
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	8,133	397	1,931	2,916	3,696	2,908	6,859	4,796	8,454
Civil	131	0	5	1	21	4	10	7	0
Small Claims	50	0	29	4	171	11	97	14	0
Offenses	586	9	99	85	235	152	352	142	33
Traffic	7,366	388	1,798	2,826	3,269	2,741	6,400	4,633	8,421
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	1,069	15	151	828	662	458	1,214	1,071	864
Civil	64	0	0	0	0	0	125	0	0
Small Claims	1	0	3	0	0	2	92	12	0
Offenses	5	0	8	22	80	120	143	31	28
Traffic	999	15	140	806	582	336	854	1,028	836

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.
[2] Data available for seven months only.

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	GRANT, Canyon City	GRANT, Prairie City	HOOD RIVER, Cascade Locks	JACKSON, Gold Hill	KLAMATH, Chiloquin	LAKE, Lakeview	LAKE, Summer Lake	LANE, Florence	LANE, Oakridge
CASES FILED - 1980	2,059	151	9,574	1,715	14,335	1,404	198	3,256	5,526
Civil	33	1	0	0	9	29	3	64	14
Small Claims	173	5	2	0	53	52	9	125	49
Offenses	378	35	50	95	112	149	108	267	1
Traffic	1,475	110	9,522	1,620	14,161	1,174	78	2,800	5,462
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	2,075	160	9,657	1,634	13,014	1,775	163	3,050	5,575
Civil	28	1	0	0	2	84	3	63	16
Small Claims	166	5	3	2	23	73	7	134	50
Offenses	415	39	49	78	90	222	87	259	3
Traffic	1,466	115	9,605	1,554	12,899	1,396	66	2,594	5,506
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	370	8	1,851	278	3,209	169	125	513	470
Civil	71	0	0	0	29	8	1	3	0
Small Claims	98	0	2	0	58	2	4	11	0
Offenses	123	4	33	19	110	24	43	35	0
Traffic	78	4	1,816	259	3,012	135	77	464	470

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	LINCOLN, Lincoln City	LINN, Lebanon	MALHEUR, Ontario	MALHEUR, Nyssa	MALHEUR, Jordan Valley	MARION, Stayton	MARION, Woodburn	MORROW, Heppner	MORROW, Irrigon
CASES FILED - 1980	4,255	3,749	18,488	1,573	2,346	3,369	6,571	744	2,860
Civil	17	31	119	31	0	5	39	20	43
Small Claims	25	74	159	38	9	39	89	62	88
Offenses	226	325	324	180	38	879	575	122	107
Traffic	3,987	3,319	17,886	1,324	2,299	2,446	5,868	540	2,622
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	4,134	3,783	17,189	1,652	2,187	2,990	6,659	768	2,974
Civil	11	28	102	37	0	7	35	16	41
Small Claims	25	71	148	39	6	43	126	61	88
Offenses	217	345	230	179	37	781	575	131	104
Traffic	3,881	3,339	16,709	1,397	2,144	2,159	5,923	560	2,741
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	616	265	3,459	106	196	542	634	132	218
Civil	40	3	69	27	2	1	18	12	16
Small Claims	15	6	28	7	14	1	114	1	32
Offenses	47	6	211	29	14	162	0	33	14
Traffic	514	250	3,151	43	166	378	502	86	156

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JUSTICE COURTS[1]	SHERMAN, Moro	TILLAMOOK, Tillamook	WASHINGTON, Tigard						Total
CASES FILED - 1980	1,861	9,037	10,670						143,560
Civil	7	143	2						823
Small Claims	19	261	21						1,669
Offenses	66	2,006	56						7,633
Traffic	1,769	6,627	10,591						133,435
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	1,830	8,995	10,644						140,998
Civil	7	133	2						795
Small Claims	33	261	22						1,762
Offenses	95	1,918	55						7,602
Traffic	1,695	6,683	10,565						130,839
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	333	2,116	1,167						23,109
Civil	0	20	0						509
Small Claims	1	7	0						511
Offenses	138	517	4						2,003
Traffic	194	1,572	1,163						20,086

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

MUNICIPAL COURTS

Municipal Courts[1]	*Albany*	*Ashland*	*Astoria*	*Athena*	*Aumsville*	*Aurora*[2]	*Baker*	*Bandon*	*Beaverton*	*Bend*
CASES FILED - 1980	3,088	3,805	1,987	67	186	34	1,526	346	6,623	7,077
Major Traffic Offenses	458	95	257	0	27	1	140	8	116	737
Minor Traffic Offenses	1,758	3,131	1,168	43	106	33	946	300	5,991	4,846
Other Cases	872	579	562	24	53	0	440	38	516	1,494
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	3,010	3,791	2,096	66	179	23	1,850	356	6,090	7,512
Cases Tried	279	137	124	49	14	1	54	6	387	406
Major Traffic Offenses	66	7	30	0	2	0	14	0	51	54
Minor Traffic Offenses	120	91	56	42	8	1	23	4	250	307
Other Cases	93	39	38	7	4	0	17	2	86	45
Other Terminations	2,731	3,654	1,972	17	165	22	1,796	350	5,703	7,106
Major Traffic Offenses	364	70	232	0	24	0	250	9	82	843
Minor Traffic Offenses	1,654	2,925	1,184	1	90	22	1,115	303	5,242	4,879
Other Cases	713	659	556	16	51	0	431	38	379	1,384
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	852	1,338	120	1	34	11	152	11	2,403	1,822
Major Traffic Offenses	203	44	46	0	8	1	32	0	296	313
Minor Traffic Offenses	367	742	30	0	18	10	64	9	1,810	1,117
Other Cases	282	552	44	1	8	0	56	2	297	392

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

[2] Aurora Municipal Court became active October 1, 1980.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Brookings*	*Brownsville*[2]	*Burns*	*Butte Falls*[3]	*Cannon Beach*	*Canyonville*	*Carlton*	*Central Point*	*Clatskanie*	*Coquille*
CASES FILED - 1980	1,034	22	491	30	262	504	196	895	604	285
Major Traffic Offenses	180	4	49	0	36	36	0	72	61	71
Minor Traffic Offenses	701	15	343	29	173	435	192	823	479	125
Other Cases	153	3	99	1	53	33	4	0	64	89
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	1,035	18	437	24	250	443	225	817	600	284
Cases Tried	42	12	37	24	27	29	193	0	445	24
Major Traffic Offenses	6	2	5	0	4	2	0	0	56	4
Minor Traffic Offenses	28	10	25	23	14	22	189	0	342	9
Other Cases	8	0	7	1	9	5	4	0	47	11
Other Terminations	993	6	400	0	223	414	32	817	155	260
Major Traffic Offenses	174	0	36	0	22	22	0	63	0	57
Minor Traffic Offenses	661	5	282	0	162	369	31	754	155	116
Other Cases	158	1	82	0	39	23	1	0	0	87
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	76	4	162	6	83	133	12	275	171	82
Major Traffic Offenses	21	2	28	0	11	21	0	36	73	34
Minor Traffic Offenses	50	0	105	6	39	95	10	239	52	36
Other Cases	5	2	29	0	33	17	2	0	46	12

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.
[2] Brownsville Municipal Court became active October 1, 1980.
[3] Butte Falls Municipal Court was added to the Statistical reporting system on May 1, 1980.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Cornelius*	*Corvallis*	*Cottage Grove*	*Creswell*	*Culver*	*Dallas*	*Dayton*	*Drain*[2]	*Eagle Point*	*Echo*[3]
CASES FILED - 1980	1,253	3,792	1,342	120	126	1,067	17	142	527	20
Major Traffic Offenses	3	381	126	7	2	137	0	14	31	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	1,128	2,804	1,024	107	122	808	15	112	417	18
Other Cases	122	607	192	6	2	122	2	16	79	2
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	1,213	3,749	1,383	118	106	947	19	129	544	17
Cases Tried	760	354	150	6	95	54	0	8	52	2
Major Traffic Offenses	3	128	35	1	2	21	0	0	7	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	727	192	95	5	93	21	0	6	36	2
Other Cases	30	34	20	0	0	12	0	2	9	0
Other Terminations	453	3,395	1,233	112	11	893	19	121	492	15
Major Traffic Offenses	0	270	94	4	0	90	0	7	24	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	336	2,618	955	102	9	710	17	105	398	15
Other Cases	117	507	184	6	2	93	2	9	70	0
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	436	2,310	147	9	24	188	8	66	18	23
Major Traffic Offenses	1	259	42	3	0	44	1	11	1	2
Minor Traffic Offenses	434	1,806	51	6	23	110	7	50	14	13
Other Cases	1	245	54	0	1	34	0	5	3	8

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[2] Drain Municipal Court became unactive on July 1, 1980.
[3] Echo Municipal Court became unactive on July 1, 1980.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Enterprise*	*Estacada*	*Eugene*	*Faiview*	*Florence*	*Forest Grove*	*Gaston*	*Gervais*	*Gladstone*	*Gold Beach*
CASES FILED - 1980	302	210	30,050	172	818	2,161	566	339	1,547	486
Major Traffic Offenses	53	0	1,360	0	71	2	0	40	175	49
Minor Traffic Offenses	195	210	24,491	172	674	1,989	564	299	1,283	425
Other Cases	54	0	4,199	0	73	170	2	0	89	12
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	268	233	28,550	175	796	2,458	518	422	1,585	493
Cases Tried	30	11	3,323	9	65	237	332	15	246	6
Major Traffic Offenses	4	0	714	0	21	1	0	3	103	5
Minor Traffic Offenses	22	11	1,956	9	34	191	330	12	132	1
Other Cases	4	0	653	0	10	45	2	0	11	0
Other Terminations	238	222	25,227	166	731	2,221	186	407	1,339	487
Major Traffic Offenses	36	0	573	0	51	13	0	40	51	49
Minor Traffic Offenses	162	222	21,401	166	633	2,048	185	367	1,219	426
Other Cases	40	0	3,253	0	47	160	1	0	69	12
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	62	6	7,869	30	160	158	93	77	87	47
Major Traffic Offenses	14	0	510	0	28	1	0	13	60	12
Minor Traffic Offenses	29	6	6,327	30	91	145	93	64	14	31
Other Cases	19	0	1,032	0	41	12	0	0	13	4

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Municipal Courts[1]	Gold Hill	Halfway	Halsey	Harrisburg	Heppner	Hermiston	Hillsboro	Hines	Hood River	Hubbard
CASES FILED - 1980	185	17	53	228	0	2,485	6,886	278	1,327	586
Major Traffic Offenses	0	1	6	25	0	330	0	21	183	62
Minor Traffic Offenses	184	16	21	182	0	1,467	6,427	220	1,038	503
Other Cases	1	0	26	21	0	688	459	37	106	21
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	178	20	53	229	0	2,496	6,580	308	1,220	589
Cases Tried	160	1	1	1	0	262	397	34	92	79
Major Traffic Offenses	0	1	0	1	0	44	0	2	19	18
Minor Traffic Offenses	160	0	1	0	0	148	361	26	57	55
Other Cases	0	0	0	0	0	70	36	6	16	6
Other Terminations	18	19	52	228	0	2,234	6,183	274	1,128	510
Major Traffic Offenses	0	0	6	25	0	270	0	20	147	33
Minor Traffic Offenses	18	19	21	178	0	1,383	5,779	201	921	460
Other Cases	0	0	25	25	0	581	404	53	60	17
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	3	0	4	9	0	176	1,255	55	298	35
Major Traffic Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	15	76	13
Minor Traffic Offenses	2	0	0	6	0	48	1,234	40	140	22
Other Cases	1	0	4	3	0	53	21	0	82	0

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Municipal Courts[1]	*Huntington*	*Independence*	*Jacksonville*	*Junction City*	*Klamath Falls*	*Lake Oswego*	*Lebanon*	*Lincoln City*	*Lyons*	*Madras*
CASES FILED - 1980	45	572	619	683	4,694	3,267	2,832	2,294	121	496
Major Traffic Offenses	0	88	0	105	643	256	219	172	0	89
Minor Traffic Offenses	3	380	172	476	3,186	2,563	2,264	2,036	121	396
Other Cases	42	104	447	102	865	448	349	86	0	11
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	39	613	547	615	4,508	3,293	2,872	2,280	119	431
Cases Tried	17	456	9	563	253	385	281	79	12	9
Major Traffic Offenses	0	83	0	64	38	37	99	7	0	6
Minor Traffic Offenses	2	354	7	425	157	308	137	68	12	3
Other Cases	15	19	2	74	58	40	45	4	0	0
Other Terminations	22	157	538	52	4,255	2,908	2,591	2,201	107	422
Major Traffic Offenses	0	1	0	18	442	224	180	171	0	63
Minor Traffic Offenses	2	80	129	17	3,156	2,334	2,136	1,944	107	349
Other Cases	20	76	409	17	657	350	275	86	0	10
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	6	136	185	207	1,308	714	555	237	14	139
Major Traffic Offenses	0	18	0	49	655	155	17	28	0	27
Minor Traffic Offenses	0	28	83	102	329	490	336	193	14	108
Other Cases	6	90	102	56	324	69	202	16	0	4

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Municipal Courts[1]	*McMinnville*	*Medford*	*Merrill*	*Metolius*	*Mill City*	*Milwaukie*	*Molalla*	*Monmouth*	*Monroe*	*Mt. Angel*
CASES FILED - 1980	4,239	13,076	138	60	229	6,889	594	968	356	277
Major Traffic Offenses	270	557	2	0	8	503	106	133	37	1
Minor Traffic Offenses	3,673	10,471	133	60	204	6,158	382	754	295	232
Other Cases	296	2,048	3	0	17	228	106	81	24	44
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	4,047	13,105	190	50	244	6,797	621	965	359	286
Cases Tried	1,219	1,186	66	29	243	253	63	47	17	242
Major Traffic Offenses	91	132	2	0	9	32	17	7	6	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	1,054	710	61	29	222	197	32	36	9	212
Other Cases	74	344	3	0	12	24	14	4	2	30
Other Terminations	2,828	11,919	124	21	1	6,544	558	918	342	44
Major Traffic Offenses	176	395	19	1	0	352	109	100	37	3
Minor Traffic Offenses	2,421	9,684	105	20	1	5,979	362	752	288	33
Other Cases	231	1,840	0	0	0	213	87	66	17	8
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	472	3,999	9	7	6	1,914	137	199	31	6
Major Traffic Offenses	33	237	0	0	0	426	7	55	4	2
Minor Traffic Offenses	428	3,428	9	7	2	1,398	55	105	15	0
Other Cases	11	334	0	0	4	90	75	39	12	4

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Municipal Courts[1]	Myrtle Creek	Newberg	Newport	North Plains[2]	Nyssa	Oakridge	Ontario	Oregon City	Pendleton	Philomath
CASES FILED - 1980	808	2,682	1,283	25	598	702	2,284	6,189	2,924	508
Major Traffic Offenses	76	240	1	0	67	57	262	752	365	51
Minor Traffic Offenses	455	1,479	1,222	25	466	527	1,553	4,472	2,012	397
Other Cases	277	963	60	0	65	118	469	965	547	60
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	722	2,642	1,234	26	539	749	2,222	6,443	2,902	518
Cases Tried	39	201	69	18	9	69	121	337	241	58
Major Traffic Offenses	4	59	1	0	0	16	2	6	78	18
Minor Traffic Offenses	12	111	68	18	8	40	104	286	103	32
Other Cases	23	31	0	0	1	13	15	45	60	8
Other Terminations	683	2,441	1,165	8	530	680	2,101	6,106	2,661	460
Major Traffic Offenses	46	163	0	0	64	44	243	748	284	40
Minor Traffic Offenses	423	1,372	1,106	8	405	529	1,474	4,432	1,887	371
Other Cases	214	906	59	0	61	107	384	926	490	49
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	361	313	276	7	147	89	1,208	359	1,415	64
Major Traffic Offenses	66	101	0	0	8	12	141	11	297	11
Minor Traffic Offenses	121	80	267	7	[illegible]	59	486	300	1,053	39
Other Cases	174	132	9	0	[illegible]	18	581	48	65	14

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.
[2] North Plains Municipal Court was added to the Statistical reporting system on September 1, 1980.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Phoenix*	*Pilot Rock*	*Powers*	*Prarie City*	*Prineville*	*Rainier*	*Redmond*	*Reedsport*	*Richland*	*Riddle*
CASES FILED - 1980	1,050	186	50	62	1,513	490	1,778	789	0	197
Major Traffic Offenses	6	27	4	0	136	56	299	140	0	23
Minor Traffic Offenses	1,029	132	20	51	1,097	386	1,213	549	0	144
Other Cases	15	27	26	11	280	48	266	100	0	30
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	1,073	213	42	79	1,522	450	1,803	692	0	219
Cases Tried	729	66	42	1	1,522	450	150	34	0	219
Major Traffic Offenses	5	18	6	0	125	52	23	15	0	27
Minor Traffic Offenses	717	37	18	1	1,102	371	92	8	0	161
Other Cases	7	11	18	0	295	27	35	11	0	31
Other Terminations	344	147	0	78	0	0	1,653	658	0	0
Major Traffic Offenses	0	15	0	0	0	0	269	97	0	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	329	119	0	67	0	0	1,066	480	0	0
Other Cases	15	13	0	11	0	0	318	81	0	0
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	64	54	19	6	136	265	285	251	0	44
Major Traffic Offenses	2	14	5	0	24	43	59	92	0	19
Minor Traffic Offenses	60	27	5	6	100	182	205	138	0	24
Other Cases	2	13	9	0	12	40	21	21	0	1

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Municipal Courts[1]	*Rockaway*	*Rogue River*	*Roseburg*	*St. Helens*	*Salem*	*Scappoose*	*Seaside*	*Shady Cove*	*Sheridan*	*Sherwood*
CASES FILED - 1980	478	714	4,577	1,769	23,275	791	1,373	443	588	834
Major Traffic Offenses	0	34	459	209	1,844	95	207	19	48	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	474	675	3,678	1,148	19,991	649	710	369	511	834
Other Cases	4	5	440	412	1,440	47	456	55	29	0
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	432	778	4,899	1,415	22,155	796	1,265	407	667	800
Cases Tried	12	459	503	125	1,011	55	45	60	54	409
Major Traffic Offenses	0	0	112	22	205	15	12	1	10	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	10	456	272	74	624	33	17	50	40	409
Other Cases	2	3	119	29	182	7	16	9	4	0
Other Terminations	420	319	4,396	1,290	21,144	741	1,220	347	613	391
Major Traffic Offenses	0	34	438	129	1,342	69	149	8	51	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	419	282	3,419	905	18,606	622	749	294	540	391
Other Cases	1	3	539	256	1,196	50	322	45	22	0
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	60	69	833	679	5,595	105	388	41	84	219
Major Traffic Offenses	0	0	53	148	736	69	72	10	24	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	57	69	749	359	4,606	27	186	22	44	219
Other Cases	3	0	31	172	253	9	130	9	16	0

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Silverton*	*Sisters*	*Springfield*	*Stanfield*	*Sutherlin*	*Sweet Home*	*Talent*	*The Dalles*	*Tigard*	*Tillamook*
CASES FILED - 1980	1,160	274	10,771	30	1,154	1,121	834	1,924	2,021	1,049
Major Traffic Offenses	168	4	1,294	2	102	186	85	388	0	102
Minor Traffic Offenses	734	270	7,866	13	814	683	653	1,213	1,922	947
Other Cases	258	0	1,611	15	238	252	96	323	99	0
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	1,040	237	10,061	36	1,176	1,119	832	1,860	2,033	1,041
Cases Tried	67	7	1,405	12	209	68	169	187	1,262	1,041
Major Traffic Offenses	27	2	504	0	21	24	39	70	1	107
Minor Traffic Offenses	30	5	591	2	135	35	82	67	1,160	934
Other Cases	10	0	310	10	53	9	48	50	101	0
Other Terminations	973	230	8,656	24	967	1,051	663	1,673	771	0
Major Traffic Offenses	126	3	585	2	93	162	49	283	0	0
Minor Traffic Offenses	681	226	6,885	17	673	671	566	1,151	771	0
Other Cases	166	1	1,186	5	201	218	48	239	0	0
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	403	73	3,858	51	222	224	8	557	768	429
Major Traffic Offenses	72	0	558	0	21	37	1	49	0	43
Minor Traffic Offenses	125	73	2,974	36	167	110	7	394	733	386
Other Cases	206	0	326	15	34	77	0	114	35	0

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Toledo*	*Troutdale*	*Tualatin*	*Turner*	*Umatilla*	*Union*	*Vale*	*Veneta*	*Warrenton*	*West Linn*
CASES FILED - 1980	274	1,517	842	78	1,322	177	380	312	565	3,053
Major Traffic Offenses	2	42	23	14	135	11	30	2	44	396
Minor Traffic Offenses	254	1,313	792	58	1,008	155	335	288	459	2,590
Other Cases	18	162	27	6	179	11	15	22	62	67
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	280	1,515	744	86	1,282	174	396	349	598	3,716
Cases Tried	244	954	52	86	66	10	1	50	11	138
Major Traffic Offenses	1	39	7	15	8	0	1	1	2	60
Minor Traffic Offenses	215	900	43	66	43	9	0	43	5	68
Other Cases	28	15	2	5	15	1	0	6	4	10
Other Terminations	36	561	692	0	1,216	164	395	299	587	3,578
Major Traffic Offenses	0	6	16	0	124	12	27	4	42	450
Minor Traffic Offenses	34	409	653	0	936	141	355	280	461	3,078
Other Cases	2	146	23	0	156	11	13	15	84	110
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	29	526	192	33	177	12	40	12	111	349
Major Traffic Offenses	3	60	17	7	16	0	5	0	17	77
Minor Traffic Offenses	24	461	171	23	128	10	34	10	90	236
Other Cases	2	5	4	3	33	2	1	2	4	36

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

Municipal Courts[1]	*Willamina*	*Wilsonville*[2]	*Winston*	*Woodburn*	*Yoncalla*[3]					*Total*
CASES FILED - 1980	108	82	965	3,221	11					220,818
Major Traffic Offenses	17	0	118	332	0					17,590
Minor Traffic Offenses	82	82	675	2,302	11					174,298
Other Cases	9	0	172	587	0					28,930
CASES TERMINATED - 1980	106	60	893	2,556	12					216,389
Cases Tried	54	6	61	397	12					28,178
Major Traffic Offenses	11	0	12	115	0					3,965
Minor Traffic Offenses	37	6	36	115	12					20,195
Other Cases	6	0	13	167	0					4,018
Other Terminations	52	54	832	2,159	0					188,211
Major Traffic Offenses	2	0	92	273	0					12,926
Minor Traffic Offenses	46	54	615	1,586	0					151,447
Other Cases	4	0	125	300	0					23,838
CASES PENDING - 12/31/80	49	22	180	2,382	0					55,825
Major Traffic Offenses	13	0	32	331	0					7,439
Minor Traffic Offenses	34	22	97	1,734	0					40,470
Other Cases	2	0	51	317	0					7,916

[1] Cities not shown failed to report for each month of the year.
[2] Wilsonville Municipal Court was added to the statistical reporting system on May 1, 1980.
[3] Yoncalla Municipal Court was added to the statistical reporting system on April 1, 1980.

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Supreme Court Jurisdiction

Oregon Laws 1977, Chapter 158, transferred to the Oregon Court of Appeals exclusive jurisdiction for all appeals except that expressly conferred on the Oregon Supreme Court by statute or the Oregon Constitution. This legislation removes from the Oregon Supreme Court's jurisdiction all civil appeals filed after January 1, 1978. The Oregon Supreme Court retained jurisdiction over all original proceedings, bar proceedings, Tax Court appeals, and Judicial Fitness Commission proceedings. In addition, the Supreme Court is the court of review for actions by the Oregon Court of Appeals. It is this latter duty which now forms the majority of the Supreme Court's workload.

Cases Filed

The following tables show an analysis of cases filed in the Supreme Court from 1972 to 1981.

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1972 - 1981

Year	*Cases Filed*[1]	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1972	374	389	222
1973	365	370	217
1974[a]	412	379	250
1975	472	424	298
1976[b]	549	500	347
1977[c]	613	577	383
1978[d]	231	472	142
1979	279	334	72
1980	330	275	127
1981	369	370	128

[1]Includes petitions for review allowed by the Supreme Court since the establishment of the Court of Appeals, July, 1969.

[a]In 1974 circuit court judges served a total 121 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court.

[b]In 1976 circuit court judges served a total of 147 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court.

[c]In 1977 circuit court judges served a total of 206 days as justices pro tempore of the Supreme Court. Additionally, Court of Appeals judges served 97 days as justices pro tempore on the Supreme Court.

[d]In 1978 Court of Appeals judges served six months on the Oregon Supreme Court.

TYPE OF SUPREME COURT CASES FILED
1977 THROUGH 1981

	1977	*1978*	*1979*	*1980*	*1981*
Civil Appeals	445	17[a]	0	0	0
Criminal Appeals	0	0	0	3[b]	0
Original Proceedings					
Ballot Title	7	4	6	5	4
Habeas Corpus	9	27	31	22	14
Mandamus	32	41	63	53	67
Other	4	2	6	3	8
Judicial Fitness	0	2	0	4	1
Bar Proceedings					
Contested Admission	2	3	4	4	0
Disciplinary	15	14	7	15	12
Reinstatement	5	6	7	7	32
Exam Review and Miscellaneous Motions	32	59	38	81	102
Court of Appeals Review Allowed	39	45	104	124	105
Tax Court Appeals	21	11	13	9	24
Total Appeals Filed	613	231	279	330	369

[a]These appeals were filed in the circuit courts prior to January 1, 1978 but not received by the Supreme Court until after that date. Technically they are 1977 appeals but statistically are counted as 1978 caseload.

[b]Automatic review of death penalty pursuant to ORS 161.116(5), see State v. Quinn, 289 Or 727 (1980).

Cases Filed, Terminated and Terminated by Opinion Per Judge

The following table displays the number of cases filed, terminated and opinions per judge for the ten-year period 1972-1981. The number of judges has been calculated to include pro tempore assistance received during each year. The number of cases filed, terminated and terminated by opinion per judge each year was then calculated using this statistic.

CASES FILED, TERMINATED, AND OPINIONS PER JUDGE
1972 - 1981

Year	Number of Judges[1]	Cases Filed per Judge	Cases Terminated per Judge	Opinions on the Merits per Judge
1972	7.00	53.4	55.6	34.9
1973	7.00	52.1	52.9	34.1
1974	7.18	57.4	52.8	34.4
1975	7.00	67.4	60.6	39.0
1976	7.58	72.4	65.7	40.2
1977	8.22	74.6	70.2	39.2
1978	7.50	30.8	62.9	35.2
1979	7.00	39.9	47.7	27.9
1980	7.00	47.1	39.3	18.3
1981	7.00	52.7	52.8	20.3

[1]Includes pro tempore judges.

This table reflects only the number of petitions for review of Court of Appeals opinions allowed each year. The data on petition filings is shown in a following table. It represents another significant part of the Supreme Court's workload.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAYS
FROM FILING OF NOTICE OF APPEAL OR PETITION ALLOWED
UNTIL CASE DECIDED[1]

Year	Notice of Appeal or Petition Allowed to At Issue	At Issue to Argument	Argument to Decision	At Issue to Decision	Total Time from Filing to Disposition
1972	211	--	--	130	341
1973	218	--	--	126	344
1974	177	--	--	140	317
1975	187	--	--	109	296
1976	166	--	--	110	276
1977	203	--	--	125	328
1978	207	--	--	133	340
1979	165	--	--	197	362
1980	27	50	113	163	190
1981	19	42	130	172	191

[1]Includes only cases decided on the mertis by written opinion.

Petitions for Review

The following table shows the filing and disposition data for petitions for review filed in the Supreme Court since 1972. By court rule, these petitions must be filed in the Supreme Court within 30 days following the Court of Appeals decision. After the petition is filed, the Court of Appeals is allowed ten days to reconsider its decision. At the conclusion of the 10-day period or upon earlier notification that the Court of Appeals does not intend to modify its decision, the case is assigned to a Supreme Court justice for preparation of a memorandum on the merits of the petition. The memorandum includes a recommendation to grant or deny the petition. Petitions are granted only if three of the justices concur. If a petition is granted, it then proceeds through oral argument and the opinion writing process.

DISPOSITIONS OF PETITIONS FOR REVIEW
FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
1972 - 1980

Year	*Filed*	*Granted*	*Denied*	*Pending at end of year*
1972	254	21	226	20
1973	206	18	178	30
1974	288	33	267	18
1975	301	23	259	37
1976	467	43	413	48
1977	311	39	235	85
1978	408	45	339	109
1979	552	104	465	92
1980	628	124	511	86
1981	548	105[a]	468	71

[a]The Supreme Court allowed 47 civil cases, 26 criminal cases, 12 administrative agency review, 10 domestic relations, 7 workers' compensation cases, 1 juvenile case, and 2 traffic cases.

COURT OF APPEALS

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1981

Overall

The cumulative data for 1981 show the following changes over 1980. The number of filings in the Court of Appeals dropped slightly from 3,436 to 3,403 cases. The Court of Appeals terminations dropped from 3,310 to 3,238 over the one-year period. The total number of cases pending disposition at the end of 1981 was 9.9% higher than the number pending at the end of 1980, from 1,659 to 1,823.

Appeals Filed

In 1978 the court assumed jurisdiction of the civil appeals formerly filed in the Oregon Supreme Court. This increased civil jurisdiction added 397, 519, 486 and 349 civil filings in 1978 through 1981 respectively.

APPEALS FILED AND TERMINATED
1972 - 1981

Year	*Appeals Filed*	*Appeals Terminated*	*Appeals Pending*
1972	766	804	291
1973	843	822	312
1974	1,046	929	429
1975	1,539	1,298	669
1976	1,847	1,786	730
1977[a]	2,348	2,054	1,024
1978[b]	3,106	2,684	1,446
1979	3,456	3,369	1,533
1980	3,436	3,310	1,659
1981	3,403	3,239	1,823

[a]The court assumed jurisdiction of district court appeals on January 1, 1977.

[b]The court assumed jurisdiction of all civil appeals on January 1, 1978.

The following table shows the number of cases filed for the years 1974 through 1981. Over this period, the Court of Appeals case filings have grown at a compound rate of 18.3% per year. Since 1979, the court's caseload has been nearly constant, declining 0.48% from 1979 through 1981.

ANALYSIS OF CASES FILED
1974 - 1981

Type of Case	*1974*	*1975*	*1976*	*1977*[1]	*1978*[2]	*1979*	*1980*	*1981*[3]
Civil	262	322	421	504	980	1,158	1,089	1,135[3]
Criminal	425	704	735	1,049	1,313	1,366	1,478	1,346
Traffic	-	-	-	119	104	109	87	92
Workers' Compensation	73	65	104	145	215	266	311	319
Post Conviction and Habeas Corpus	27	56	30	52	33	48	70	69
Administrative Agency Review	103	145	176	189	209	200	231	241
Corrections Disciplinary Review	116	194	360	269	212	242	123	98
Parole Board Review	40	53	21	21	40	67	47	103
	1,046	1,539	1,847	2,348	3,106	3,456	3,436	3,403

[1]The court assumed jurisdiction of district court appeals on January 1, 1977.
[2]The court assumed jurisdiction of all circuit court civil appeals on January 1, 1978.
[3]Includes 5 adoption, 809 civil, 252 domestic relations, 54 juvenile, 13 probate, and 2 other cases.

Cases Filed, Terminated and Opinions Per Judge
1972 - 1981

Year	*Number of Judges*	*Cases Filed per Judge*	*Cases Terminated per Judge*	*Decisions on the Merits per Judge*
1972	5	153.2	160.8	122.4
1973	5.25[a]	160.6	156.6	113.1
1974	6	174.3	154.8	101.3
1975	6	256.5	216.5	146.2
1976	6	307.8	297.6	217.2
1977	7.34[b]	319.9	279.8	206.3
1978	9.50[c]	326.9	280.9	207.6
1979	10	345.6	336.9	225.8
1980	10	343.6	331.0	235.5
1981	10	340.3	323.9	223.1

[a]A sixth judge was added to the court in October, 1973.
[b]Four judges were added to the court in September, 1977. The Court of Appeals gave the Supreme Court 97 judicial days during the months of September, October, November, and December, 1977.
[c]During 1978 Court of Appeals judges served six months on the Supreme Court.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAYS FROM FILING OF NOTICE OF APPEAL UNTIL CASE DECIDED
1972 - 1981

Year	Notice of Appeal to At Issue	At Issue to Argument	Argument to Decision	At Issue to Decision	Total Time from Filing to Disposition
1972	142	--	--	64	206
1973	137	--	--	39	176
1974	123	--	--	46	169
1975	125	--	--	40	165
1976	126	--	--	43	169
1977	124	--	--	53	177
1978	133	--	--	59	192
1979	147	--	--	70	217
1980	146	37	39	76	222
1981	140	35	51	86	226

TAX COURT

TAX COURT

1981

The Oregon Tax Court hears cases that are appeals from the county boards of equalization (in the case of small claims property tax cases) or appeals from decisions of the Oregon Department of Revenue. The caseload of the Oregon Tax Court fluctuates from year to year. The caseload is affected somewhat by the number of appeals before the Department of Revenue.

REGULAR DIVISION

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1972 - 1981

Year	*Cases Filed*	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1972	66	74	56
1973	126	81	101
1974	73	113	61
1975	84	85	60
1976	120	95	85
1977	91	92	84
1978	85	85	84
1979	78	76	86
1980	91	72	105
1981	242	108	239

SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED
1972 - 1981

Year	*Cases Filed*	*Cases Terminated*	*Cases Pending*
1972	109	102	68
1973	97	104	61
1974	75	102	34
1975	148	60	122
1976	61	80	103
1977	57	120	40
1978	53	53	40
1979	34	58	16
1980	27	23	20
1981	16	22	14

CIRCUIT COURTS

TABLE 1

CASES FILED
1981

The circuit courts experienced a 2.9% increase in cases filed in 1981. This is a growth of 2,410 cases over 1980 filings. There were increases in four of the five case categories. Civil filings increased 6.5%, 1,892 cases; criminal cases grew 6.2%, 1,183 cases; guardianships increased 6.9%, 142 cases, and decedents' estates increased 0.5%, 25 cases. There were increases in case filings in 15 of the 19 judicial districts. The Second, Eighth, Tenth, and Sixteenth Judicial Districts each show a small decline in case filings in 1981.

The proportion of case filings by case type is as follows: civil 36%, dissolution 31%, criminal 24%, guardianships 3%, and decedents' estates 6%. This composition continues the trend in case filings noted for several years in this report.

TABLE 1

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	CIVIL	DISSOLUTION	CRIMINAL	GUARDIANSHIP	DECEDENTS ESTATES	TOTAL
First						
Jackson	1523	1189	927	125	232	3996
Josephine	498	580	708	68	123	1977
TOTAL	2021	1769	1635	193	355	5973
Second						
Lane	3403	2439	1771	163	406	8182
Third						
Marion	2476	1368	1501	222	389	5956
Fourth						
Multnomah	8408	9569	5620	550	1245	25392
Fifth						
Clackamas	2230	1582	1248	168	355	5583
Sixth						
Morrow	143	48	88	2	14	295
Umatilla	583	690	402	57	127	1859
TOTAL	726	738	490	59	141	2154
Seventh						
Hood River	141	127	120	20	35	443
Sherman*	19	9	65	2	9	104
Wasco	250	229	257	23	73	832
TOTAL	410	365	442	45	117	1379
Eighth						
Baker	188	131	78	13	53	463
Ninth						
Harney*	119	43	44	20	42	268
Malheur*	439	217	158	20	46	880
TOTAL	558	260	202	40	88	1148
Tenth						
Union	207	205	140	12	44	608
Wallowa	80	58	42	4	26	210
TOTAL	287	263	182	16	70	818
Eleventh						
Crook	126	140	127	14	28	435
Deschutes	999	556	493	38	97	2183
Gilliam*	20	11	35	2	1	69
Grant*	110	79	118	4	13	324
Jefferson	162	75	119	6	15	377
Wheeler*	14	10	14	1	4	43
TOTAL	1431	871	906	65	158	3431

TABLE 1
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	CIVIL	DISSOLUTION	CRIMINAL	GUARDIANSHIP	DECEDENTS ESTATES	TOTAL
Twelfth						
Polk	374	450	263	30	69	1186
Yamhill	385	438	279	27	111	1240
TOTAL	759	888	542	57	180	2426
Thirteenth**						
Klamath	703	575	388	84	106	1856
Lake	131	58	103	12	21	325
TOTAL	834	633	491	96	127	2181
Fifteenth						
Coos	786	551	617	48	111	2113
Curry	159	149	178	12	53	551
TOTAL	945	700	795	60	164	2664
Sixteenth						
Douglas	1044	783	1084	83	146	3140
Seventeenth						
Lincoln	1006	543	365	25	102	2041
Nineteenth						
Clatsop	330	238	225	26	81	900
Columbia	300	356	354	28	46	1084
Tillamook	304	176	367	16	65	928
TOTAL	934	770	946	70	192	2912
Twentieth						
Washington	1878	1539	925	127	325	4794
Twenty-First						
Benton	380	421	294	77	90	1262
Linn	905	659	681	65	128	2438
TOTAL	1285	1080	975	142	218	3700
STATEWIDE	30823	26291	20198	2194	4831	84337

* Courts do not have probate jurisdiction.
** The 1981 Legislative Assembly abolished the Fourteenth Judicial District, effective September 1, 1981 and made Lake County a part of the Thirteenth Judicial District. For purposes of this report, Klamath County and Lake County are shown as combined in the Thirteenth District for the entire year.

TABLE 2

Cases Terminated
1981

The number of cases terminated in 1981 increased 7.2%. This is a growth of 5,390 terminations over the 1980 level. There were increases in three of the five case categories. Civil case terminations increased 16%, 4,033 cases; the number of criminal cases terminated grew 10%, 1,764 cases, and the number of decedents' estates closed increased 1%, 63 cases. The circuit courts closed 416 fewer dissolution cases in 1981, a 2% decline when compared to 1980, and nine less guardianships than in the previous year, a 0.5% decline. There were increases in case terminations in 14 of the 19 judicial districts. There were declines in case terminations in the 6th, 8th, 12th, 16th, and 21st Judicial Districts.

TABLE 2

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	CIVIL	DISSOLUTION	CRIMINAL	GUARDIANSHIP	DECEDENTS ESTATES	TOTAL
First						
Jackson	1212	1164	967	97	176	3616
Josephine	464	519	528	31	90	1632
TOTAL	1676	1683	1495	128	266	5248
Second						
Lane	3073	2436	1724	168	333	7734
Third						
Marion	2351	1529	1301	99	353	5633
Fourth						
Multnomah	7856	9309	5676	520	1577	24938
Fifth						
Clackamas	1962	1545	1302	174	356	5339
Sixth						
Morrow	124	49	78	1	9	261
Umatilla	573	572	389	26	106	1666
TOTAL	697	621	467	27	115	1927
Seventh						
Hood River	137	128	138	4	20	427
Sherman*	9	10	22	0	4	45
Wasco	241	233	232	7	64	777
TOTAL	387	371	392	11	88	1249
Eighth						
Baker	177	133	88	13	39	450
Nineth						
Harney*	115	41	48	27	33	264
Malheur*	449	213	148	11	37	858
TOTAL	564	254	196	38	70	1122
Tenth						
Union	213	225	131	7	57	633
Wallowa	76	53	41	3	16	189
TOTAL	289	278	172	10	73	822
Eleventh						
Crook	96	147	118	7	15	383
Deschutes	808	517	448	22	87	1882
Gilliam*	15	8	31	0	3	57
Grant*	115	100	80	2	17	314
Jefferson	169	81	99	9	13	371
Wheeler*	21	3	11	14	2	51
TOTAL	1224	856	787	54	137	3058

TABLE 2
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	CIVIL	DISSOLUTION	CRIMINAL	GUARDIANSHIP	DECEDENTS ESTATES	TOTAL
Twelfth						
Polk	317	385	210	24	55	991
Yamhill	307	384	241	30	104	1066
TOTAL	624	769	451	54	159	2057
Thirteenth**						
Klamath	832	537	484	70	126	2049
Lake	108	53	92	3	28	284
TOTAL	940	590	576	73	154	2333
Fifteenth						
Coos	809	565	693	14	110	2191
Curry	167	157	127	8	30	489
TOTAL	976	722	820	22	140	2680
Sixteenth						
Douglas	1007	749	970	56	143	2925
Seventeenth						
Lincoln	875	508	277	20	86	1766
Nineteenth						
Clatsop	316	279	236	13	69	913
Columbia	333	321	340	11	70	1075
Tillamook	277	167	302	8	42	796
TOTAL	926	767	878	32	181	2784
Twentieth						
Washington	1778	1512	926	88	258	4562
Twenty-First						
Benton	323	384	358	45	98	1208
Linn	801	664	693	28	129	2315
TOTAL	1124	1048	1051	73	227	3523
STATEWIDE	28506	25680	19549	1660	4755	80150

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TABLE 3

COMPARATIVE TABLE
TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR
1974 - 1981

The number of cases filed in 1981 was 46.8% higher than in 1974. The average rate of increase, computed from the annual increases over the eight year period, is 5.6%. The 1980 caseload grew 11.1% over the 1979 level, the largest percentage increase over the last eight years. The 1981 caseload increased 2.8%.

Selected increases may be attributed to population growth. Circuit court filings, however, are growing at a faster rate than the population. The 1974 ratio of population to cases filed was one case to every 39 people. The 1981 ratio is one case to every 31 individuals. This change in the ratio demonstrates that case filings are increasing at a greater rate than the state population.

TABLE 3

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
First								
Jackson	2912	2874	3129	3018	3270	3450	3781	3996
Josephine	864	894	1074	1168	1214	1283	1621	1977
TOTALS	3776	3768	4203	4186	4484	4733	5402	5973
Second								
Lane	5906	6151	6626	6358	7227	7503	8343	8182
Third								
Marion	5394	5447	4903	4679	4923	5321	5975	5956
Fourth								
Multnomah	18165	19487	20328	20772	23446	23408	24642	25392
Fifth								
Clackamas	3753	3995	4160	3964	4121	4318	5444	5583
Sixth								
Morrow	90	117	112	169	211	247	235	295
Umatilla	985	1100	1164	1369	1574	1552	1809	1895
TOTAL	1075	1217	1276	1538	1785	1799	2044	2154
Seventh								
Hood River	318	327	294	334	383	422	465	443
Sherman	66	93	109	49	41	49	61	104
Wasco	486	589	558	569	598	634	810	832
TOTAL	870	1009	961	952	1022	1105	1336	1379
Eighth								
Baker	372	419	401	488	458	457	551	463
Nineth								
Harney	159	173	206	227	239	241	246	268
Malheur	420	417	432	587	710	841	871	880
TOTAL	579	590	638	814	949	1082	1117	1148
Tenth								
Union	479	500	546	480	510	525	682	608
Wallowa	160	199	138	118	160	180	187	210
TOTAL	639	699	684	598	670	705	869	818
Eleventh								
Crook	342	336	381	374	384	384	378	435
Deschutes	945	1108	1085	1202	1416	1851	2228	2183
Gilliam	30	40	44	41	44	43	64	69
Grant	246	286	264	283	320	331	318	324
Jefferson	242	357	374	395	365	325	394	377
Wheeler	40	44	47	65	45	53	41	43
TOTAL	1845	2171	2195	2360	2574	2987	3423	3431

TABLE 3
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
Twelfth								
Polk	604	700	698	727	850	846	1075	1186
Yamhill	892	849	965	933	1032	1063	1189	1240
TOTAL	1496	1549	1663	1660	1882	1909	2264	2426
Thirteenth*								
Klamath	1203	1602	1631	1522	1635	1762	1866	1856
Lake	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	325
TOTAL	1203	1602	1631	1522	1635	1762	1866	2181
Fourteenth*								
Lake	191	165	158	184	191	198	250	--
Fifteenth								
Coos	1486	1587	1558	1629	1735	1925	2193	2113
Curry	269	307	297	322	335	400	432	551
TOTAL	1755	1894	1855	1951	2070	2325	2625	2664
Sixteenth								
Douglas	2195	2208	2658	2818	2669	2873	3355	3140
Seventeenth								
Lincoln	792	797	891	858	1042	1078	1251	2041
Nineteenth								
Clatsop	691	702	650	729	722	731	865	900
Columbia	735	790	681	714	940	906	1033	1084
Tillamook	432	456	448	494	594	696	733	928
TOTAL	1858	1948	1779	1937	2306	2333	2631	2912
Twentieth								
Washington	2997	3392	3404	3309	3609	4042	4559	4794
Twenty-First								
Benton	943	885	1001	1172	1313	1295	1294	1262
Linn	1719	1872	1981	2052	2164	2530	2731	2438
TOTAL	2662	2757	2982	3224	3477	3825	4025	3700
STATE TOTAL	57453	61337	63414	64172	70540	73763	81972	84337

* The 1981 Legislative Assembly abolished the Fourteenth Judicial District, effective September 1, 1981 and made Lake County a part of the Thirteenth Judicial District. For purposes of this report, Klamath County and Lake County are shown as combined in the Thirteenth District for the entire year.

TABLE 4

CASES TRIED 1981

The total number of cases tried in 1981 declined for the second year in a row. In 1981, 6,463 cases were closed by trial, a 3.7% drop from the 6,713 in 1980. 6,881 cases were tried in 1979 and 6,597 in 1978. The number of cases tried in 1981 was 2% lower than the number tried in 1978. The current two year decline in the number of cases tried is accompanied by a smaller percentage of cases closed by trial. In 1979, 10.9% of the cases terminated were closed by trial. This dropped to 9.8% in 1980 and to 8.8% in 1981.

Despite the declining number of cases tried since 1979, the mean age of all cases tried increased each year. In 1979, it was 255.6 days. This grew to 267.7 in 1980 and to 301.5 in 1981. The 1981 mean age is 13% higher than that for 1980. The mean age of civil cases tried increased 12.3% from 403.6 days to 453.4 days. The mean age of dissolution cases increased 17.2%, from 249.1 to 291.9 days. There was an 11.5% increase in the mean age of criminal cases tried, from 104.1 to 116.9 days.

Thirty-nine percent of the total number of cases tried were civil. Dissolutions accounted for 30% of the total and criminal cases accounted for 31%.

TABLE 4

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CLOSED BY TRIAL	COURT TRIALS	JURY TRIALS	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
First						
Jackson						
Civil	1212	97	8.0	60	37	517.7
Dissolution	1164	78	6.7	78	0	357.1
Criminal	967	38	3.9	16	22	114.4
Total	3343	213	6.4	154	59	386.9
Josephine						
Civil	464	57	12.3	40	17	381.3
Dissolution	519	66	12.7	66	0	281.0
Criminal	528	25	4.7	2	23	154.0
Total	1511	148	9.8	108	40	298.2
Second						
Lane						
Civil	3073	233	7.6	128	105	528.1
Dissolution	2436	172	7.1	172	0	335.1
Criminal	1724	313	18.2	128	185	156.9
Total	7233	718	9.9	428	290	320.1
Third						
Marion						
Civil	2351	289	12.3	227	62	408.2
Dissolution	1529	167	10.9	167	0	324.1
Criminal	1301	89	6.8	42	47	80.2
Total	5181	545	10.5	436	109	328.9
Fourth						
Multnomah						
Civil	7856	744	9.5	328	416	505.8
Dissolution	9309	459	4.9	459	0	350.2
Criminal	5676	660	11.6	295	365	81.0
Total	22841	1863	8.2	1082	781	317.0
Fifth						
Clackamas						
Civil	1962	188	9.6	133	55	456.4
Dissolution	1545	168	10.9	168	0	304.6
Criminal	1302	93	7.1	39	54	138.7
Total	4809	449	9.3	340	109	333.8
Sixth						
Morrow						
Civil	124	8	6.5	5	3	204.9
Dissolution	49	8	16.3	8	0	137.4
Criminal	78	19	24.4	0	19	179.9
Total	251	35	13.9	13	22	175.9

TABLE 4
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CLOSED BY TRIAL	COURT TRIALS	JURY TRIALS	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
Umatilla						
Civil	573	40	7.0	16	24	314.4
Dissolution	572	27	4.7	27	0	181.2
Criminal	389	33	8.5	8	25	40.8
Total	1534	100	6.5	51	49	188.2
Seventh						
Hood River						
Civil	137	13	9.5	9	4	359.7
Dissolution	128	7	5.5	7	0	278.7
Criminal	138	10	7.2	7	3	63.8
Total	403	30	7.4	23	7	242.2
Sherman						
Civil	9	2	22.2	2	0	394.0
Dissolution	10	1	10.0	1	0	162.0
Criminal	22	3	13.6	1	2	145.0
Total	41	6	14.6	4	2	230.8
Wasco						
Civil	241	13	5.4	10	3	259.5
Dissolution	233	18	7.7	18	0	261.0
Criminal	232	23	9.9	6	17	103.5
Total	706	54	7.6	34	20	193.5
Eighth						
Baker						
Civil	177	13	7.3	7	6	283.2
Dissolution	133	5	3.8	5	0	142.0
Criminal	88	3	3.4	0	3	27.7
Total	398	21	5.3	12	9	213.1
Nineth						
Harney						
Civil	115	11	9.6	6	5	207.3
Dissolution	41	8	19.5	8	0	146.8
Criminal	48	8	16.7	2	6	64.3
Total	204	27	13.2	16	11	147.0
Malheur						
Civil	449	24	5.3	13	11	275.8
Dissolution	213	15	7.0	15	0	148.4
Criminal	148	18	12.2	4	14	53.8
Total	810	57	7.0	32	25	172.2

TABLE 4
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CLOSED BY TRIAL	COURT TRIALS	JURY TRIALS	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
Tenth						
Union						
Civil	213	42	19.7	35	7	223.2
Dissolution	225	21	9.3	21	0	233.2
Criminal	131	7	5.3	0	7	71.9
Total	569	70	12.3	56	14	211.1
Wallowa						
Civil	76	13	17.1	12	1	232.3
Dissolution	53	6	11.3	6	0	220.7
Criminal	41	4	9.8	2	2	57.3
Total	170	23	13.5	20	3	198.8
Eleventh						
Crook						
Civil	96	9	9.4	3	6	383.3
Dissolution	147	14	9.5	14	0	309.1
Criminal	118	4	3.4	2	2	135.5
Total	361	27	7.5	19	8	308.1
Deschutes						
Civil	808	81	10.0	46	35	371.9
Dissolution	517	63	12.2	63	0	316.6
Criminal	448	19	4.2	6	13	115.7
Total	1773	163	9.2	115	48	320.7
Gilliam						
Civil	15	1	6.7	1	0	240.0
Dissolution	8	2	25.0	2	0	120.5
Criminal	31	5	16.1	2	3	161.4
Total	54	8	14.8	5	3	161.0
Grant						
Civil	115	7	6.1	4	3	239.3
Dissolution	100	5	5.0	5	0	99.2
Criminal	80	5	6.3	2	3	103.4
Total	295	17	5.8	11	6	158.1
Jefferson						
Civil	169	12	7.1	6	6	504.7
Dissolution	81	8	9.9	8	0	187.7
Criminal	99	1	1.0	1	0	122.0
Total	349	21	6.0	15	6	365.7
Wheeler						
Civil	21	5	23.8	4	1	254.0
Dissolution	3	1	33.3	1	0	63.0
Criminal	11	1	9.1	0	1	65.0
Total	35	7	20.0	5	2	199.7

TABLE 4
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CLOSED BY TRIAL	COURT TRIALS	JURY TRIALS	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
Twelfth						
Polk						
Civil	317	29	9.1	18	11	351.0
Dissolution	385	46	11.9	46	0	200.5
Criminal	210	56	26.7	23	33	95.8
Total	912	131	14.4	87	44	189.1
Yamhill						
Civil	307	34	11.1	21	13	422.7
Dissolution	384	50	13.0	50	0	239.4
Criminal	241	22	9.1	5	17	112.4
Total	932	106	11.4	76	30	217.8
Thirteenth						
Klamath						
Civil	832	48	5.8	22	26	565.2
Dissolution	537	60	11.2	60	0	261.9
Criminal	484	41	8.5	17	24	147.3
Total	1853	149	8.0	99	50	328.1
Lake						
Civil	108	3	2.8	3	0	246.3
Dissolution	53	4	7.5	4	0	123.8
Criminal	92	13	14.1	4	9	95.1
Total	253	20	7.9	11	9	123.5
Fifteenth						
Coos						
Civil	809	57	7.0	24	33	245.7
Dissolution	565	52	9.2	52	0	191.8
Criminal	693	64	9.2	24	40	89.1
Total	2067	173	8.4	100	73	171.6
Curry						
Civil	167	16	9.6	8	8	315.7
Dissolution	157	5	3.2	5	0	227.4
Criminal	127	10	7.9	2	8	87.2
Total	451	31	6.9	15	16	227.8
Sixteenth						
Douglas						
Civil	1007	81	8.0	43	38	562.4
Dissolution	749	41	5.5	41	0	394.0
Criminal	970	81	8.4	17	64	168.9
Total	2726	203	7.4	101	102	371.4

TABLE 4
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CLOSED BY TRIAL	COURT TRIAL	JURY TRIAL	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
Seventeenth						
Lincoln						
Civil	875	40	4.6	25	15	472.4
Dissolution	508	8	1.6	8	0	288.0
Criminal	277	49	17.7	27	22	168.6
Total	1660	97	5.8	60	37	303.7
Nineteenth						
Clatsop						
Civil	316	29	9.2	12	17	343.7
Dissolution	279	20	7.2	20	0	181.6
Criminal	236	17	7.2	8	9	135.6
Total	831	66	7.9	40	26	241.0
Columbia						
Civil	333	48	14.4	25	23	435.2
Dissolution	321	48	15.0	48	0	234.5
Criminal	340	18	5.3	5	13	268.1
Total	994	114	11.5	78	36	324.3
Tillamook						
Civil	277	22	7.9	17	5	598.8
Dissolution	167	9	5.4	9	0	457.7
Criminal	302	33	10.9	15	18	400.6
Total	746	64	8.6	41	23	476.8
Twentieth						
Washington						
Civil	1778	140	7.9	75	65	448.4
Dissolution	1512	125	8.3	125	0	243.4
Criminal	926	62	6.7	18	44	129.5
Total	4216	327	7.8	218	109	309.6
Twenty-First						
Benton						
Civil	323	42	13.0	27	15	381.6
Dissolution	384	86	22.4	86	0	179.5
Criminal	358	45	12.6	12	33	104.2
Total	1065	173	16.2	125	48	209.0
Linn						
Civil	801	40	5.0	22	18	572.5
Dissolution	664	79	11.9	79	0	230.4
Criminal	693	88	12.7	34	54	103.5
Total	2158	207	9.6	135	72	242.5

TABLE 4
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	TOTAL TRIALS	PERCENT CASES BY TRIAL	COURT TRIALS	JURY TRIALS	MEAN AGE CASES TRIED
State						
Civil	28506	2531	8.9	1437	1094	453.4
Dissolution	25680	1952	7.6	1952	0	291.9
Criminal	19549	1980	10.1	776	1204	116.9
Total	73735	6463	8.8	4165	2298	301.5

TABLE 5

DAYS OF TEMPORARY HELP GIVEN AND
RECEIVED IN 1981
Ranked by net days received

A circuit court in need of temporary assistance may receive judicial help from a circuit court judge assigned from another judicial district, from a district court judge assigned to sit in the circuit court, or from senior judges and attorneys assigned to sit as circuit court judges. In 1981, circuit court judges gave 606.5 days of help to other judicial districts. District court judges served 177.5 days in the circuit courts, and senior judges and attorneys served 630 days.

In 1981, compared to 1980, the use of circuit court judges to assist other circuit courts increased 19%, up from 508 days to 606.5 days; the use of district court judges increased 102%, from 88 days to 177.5 days; and help from senior judges and attorneys declined 25%, down from 845.5 days to 630 days. This is the second succeeding year in which the use of pro tempore assistance declined and circuit and district judge assignments increased.

TABLE 5

Rank	Judicial District	Days of Help Received From: Visiting Circuit Judges	Days of Help Received From: District Court Judges	Days of Help Received From: Judges Pro Tempore	Days of Help Given to Other District	Net Days of Help Given (-) or Received (+)
1	Eighth					
	Baker	36.0	0.0	1.0	102	- 65.0
2	Fifteenth					
	Coos	12.0	7.5	5.0	36.0	- 11.5
	Curry	1.0	0.5	0.0	26.0	- 24.5
	Totals	13.0	8.0	5.0	62.0	- 36.0
3	Twelfth					
	Polk	14.0	0.0	0.0	18.5	- 4.5
	Yamhill	10.0	0.0	2.5	17.0	- 4.5
	Total	24.0	0.0	2.5	35.5	- 9.0
4	Third					
	Marion	25.0	0.0	8.5	40.0	- 6.5
5	Sixteenth					
	Douglas	36.0	1.0	5.0	45.0	- 3.0
6	Sixth					
	Morrow	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 1.0
	Umatilla	22.0	0.0	0.0	24.5	- 2.5
	Total	23.0	0.0	0.0	24.5	- 1.5
7	Tenth					
	Union	17.5	0.0	0.0	14.5	+ 3.5
	Wallowa	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 5.0
	Total	22.5	0.0	0.0	14.5	+ 8.0
7	Nineteenth					
	Clatsop	20.5	0.0	6.0	5.0	+ 21.5
	Columbia	23.0	0.0	6.0	55.5	- 26.5
	Tillamook	41.0	0.0	0.0	28.0	+ 13.0
	Total	84.5	0.0	12.0	88.5	+ 8.0
9	Fifth					
	Clackamas	18.0	0.0	10.5	13.0	+ 15.5
10	Twentieth					
	Washington	49.0	8.5	6.5	45.5	+ 18.5
11	Second					
	Lane	47.0	2.0	4.0	33.0	+ 20.0
12	Seventh					
	Hood River	1.0	4.5	0.0	0.0	+ 5.5
	Sherman	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Wasco	1.0	8.0	9.0	3.0	+ 15.0
	Total	2.0	12.5	9.0	3.0	+ 20.5

TABLE 5
Continued

Rank	Judicial District	Days of Help Received From: Visiting Circuit Judges	Days of Help Received From: District Court Judges	Days of Help Received From: Judges Pro Tempore	Days of Help Given to Other District	Net Days of Help Given (-) or Received (+)
13	Nineth					
	Harney	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	+ 15.0
	Malheur	26.5	0.0	0.0	13.5	+ 13.0
	Total	41.5	0.0	0.0	13.5	+ 28.0
14	Twenty-First					
	Benton	1.0	0.0	2.0	10.0	- 7.0
	Linn	0.5	1.0	48.5	1.0	+ 49.0
	Total	1.5	1.0	50.5	11.0	+ 42.0
15	Seventeenth					
	Lincoln	27.0	0.0	32.0	3.5	+ 55.5
16	Eleventh					
	Crook	0.0	3.5	3.5	0.0	+ 7.0
	Deschutes	21.5	33.0	1.0	1.0	+ 54.5
	Gilliam	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Grant	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	- 4.0
	Jefferson	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	+ 1.0
	Wheeler	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total	21.5	37.5	4.5	5.0	+ 58.5
17	Thirteenth					
	Klamath	25.0	92.5	3.0	16.0	+104.5
	Lake	18.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	- 28.0
	Total	43.0	92.5	3.0	62.0	+ 76.5
18	First					
	Jackson	22.0	0.0	105.0	2.0	+125.0
	Josephine	52.0	14.5	1.0	2.0	+ 65.5
	Total	74.0	14.5	106.0	4.0	+190.5
19	Fourth					
	Multnomah	18.0	0.0	370.0	1.0	+387.0
STATEWIDE TOTALS		606.5	177.5	630.0	606.5	+807.5

TABLE 6

TOTAL CASES FILED, TERMINATED, AND
PENDING PER AUTHORIZED JUDICIAL POSITION

The number of authorized judicial positions in the circuit courts increased from 77 to 80 in 1981. This increase resulted from additional positions created in Lane, Linn, and Josephine Counties. These positions were filled in October, 1981 and added 0.75 full time equivalent judges for the year. These 77.75 full time equivalent positions are used to calculate the number of cases filed, terminated and pending per judge.

The number of cases filed per judge in 1981 declined slightly from the 1980 level. In 1980, there were 1093.0 cases filed per judge and this dropped to 1084.7 in 1981. This 0.75% decline (8.3 cases), may be attributed to the very small (2.9%) increase in case filings, and the addition of 0.75 full time equivalent judges.

The number of cases terminated per judge in 1981 increased 3.4%, from 996.8 cases in 1980 to 1030.9 cases. At the end of the year, there were 851.3 cases pending per judge. This level of pending cases is a 2.1% increase over the 1980 level of 833.6 cases.

TABLE 6

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED JUDGES	FILINGS PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE	TERMINATIONS PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE	CASES PENDING PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE
First				
Jackson	3.0	1332.0	1205.3	1146.0
Josephine	1.25	1581.6	1305.6	1301.6
District	4.25	1405.4	1234.8	1191.8
Second				
Lane	8.25	991.8	937.5	976.7
Third				
Marion	6.0	992.7	938.8	863.7
Fourth				
Multnomah	19.0	1336.4	1312.5	903.3
Fifth				
Clackamas	5.0	1116.6	1067.8	921.6
Sixth				
Morrow				
Umatilla	2.0			
District	2.0	1077.0	963.5	557.5
Seventh				
Hood River				
Sherman				
Wasco	1.0			
District	1.0	1379.0	1249.0	1174.0
Eighth				
Baker	1.0	463.0	450.0	329.0
Nineth				
Harney				
Malheur	1.0			
District	1.0	1148.0	1122.0	1010.0
Tenth				
Union	1.0			
Wallowa				
District	1.0	818.0	822.0	477.0
Eleventh				
Crook				
Deschutes	2.0			
Gilliam				
Grant	1.0			
Jefferson				
Wheeler				
District	3.0	1143.7	1019.3	974.3

TABLE 6
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED JUDGES	FILINGS PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE	TERMINATIONS PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE	CASES PENDING PER AUTHORIZED JUDGE
Twelfth				
Polk	1.5			
Yamhill	1.5			
District	3.0	808.7	685.7	665.7
Thirteenth				
Klamath	2.0			
Lake	1.0			
District	3.0	727.0	777.7	829.3
Fifteenth				
Coos	2.0			
Curry	1.0			
District	3.0	888.0	893.3	482.3
Sixteenth				
Douglas	3.0	1046.7	975.0	770.7
Seventeenth				
Lincoln	1.0	2041.0	1766.0	1459.0
Nineteenth				
Clatsop	1.0	900.0	913.0	749.0
Columbia	2.0	542.0	537.5	511.5
Tillamook	1.0	928.0	796.0	787.0
District	4.0	728.0	696.0	639.8
Twentieth				
Washington	5.0	958.8	912.4	742.2
Twenty-First				
Benton	2.0	631.0	604.0	471.5
Linn	2.25	1083.6	1028.9	964.9
District	4.25	870.6	828.9	732.7
STATEWIDE	77.75	1084.7	1030.9	851.3

TABLE 7

PERCENTAGE OF DECEDENTS ESTATES PENDING
OVER 3 YEARS

At the end of 1981, there were 7,095 decedents' estates pending in the circuit, district and county courts. This is an increase of 0.6% from the 7,050 cases pending at the end of 1980. The percentage of decendents' estates pending over three years increased in 1981. There were 590 estates pending over three years as of December 31, 1981, 8.3% of the total. In 1980, there were 525 estates pending over three years, 7.4% of the total. Four courts show 20% or more of the pending caseload in excess of three years of age. In 1980, only one court reported more than 20% of the decedents' estates in the over three year category.

TABLE 7

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	COURT HANDLING DECEDENTS ESTATES	TOTAL PENDING	LESS THAN ONE YEAR	1 YEAR TO 2 YEARS	2 YEARS TO 3 YEARS	OVER 3 YEARS	PERCENT OVER 3 YEARS
First							
Jackson	Circuit	296	199	54	25	18	6.1
Josephine	Circuit	216	116	43	21	36	16.7
Second							
Lane	Circuit	577	353	130	66	28	5.0
Third							
Marion	Circuit	614	327	111	65	111	18.1
Fourth							
Multnomah	Circuit	1723	954	654	51	64	3.7
Fifth							
Clackamas	Circuit	500	299	123	48	30	6.0
Sixth							
Morrow	Circuit	30	17	6	4	3	10.0
Umatilla	Circuit	178	106	45	18	9	5.1
Seventh							
Hood River	Circuit	102	28	34	11	29	28.4
Sherman	County	20	9	6	0	5	25.0
Wasco	District	96	59	19	12	6	6.3
Eighth							
Baker	Circuit	75	47	22	3	3	4.0
Nineth							
Harney	County	60	34	21	3	2	3.3
Malheur	County	98	43	27	11	17	17.4
Tenth							
Union	Circuit	49	33	9	7	0	0.0
Wallowa	Circuit	39	26	0	13	0	0.0
Eleventh							
Crook	Circuit	38	24	7	4	3	7.9
Deschutes	Circuit	144	74	40	15	15	10.4
Gilliam	County	8	1	6	1	0	0.0
Grant	County	25	11	4	5	5	20.0
Jefferson	Circuit	27	13	7	3	4	14.8
Wheeler	County	6	3	2	1	0	0.0
Twelfth							
Polk	Circuit	107	58	28	10	11	10.3
Yamhill	Circuit	155	98	29	20	8	5.2

TABLE 7
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	COURT HANDLING DECEDENTS ESTATE	TOTAL PENDING	LESS THAN ONE YEAR	1 YEAR TO 2 YEARS	2 YEARS TO 3 YEARS	OVER 3 YEARS	PERCENTAGE OVER 3 YEARS
Thirteenth							
Klamath	Circuit	196	75	53	30	38	19.4
Lake	Circuit	42	30	8	4	0	0.0
Fifteenth							
Coos	Circuit	166	87	38	26	15	9.0
Curry	Circuit	59	47	7	4	1	1.7
Sixteenth							
Douglas	Circuit	233	121	56	35	21	9.0
Seventeenth							
Lincoln	Circuit	170	103	31	15	21	12.4
Nineteenth							
Clatsop	Circuit	123	74	31	8	10	8.1
Columbia	Circuit	96	36	32	8	20	20.8
Tillamook	Circuit	78	52	9	7	10	12.8
Twentieth							
Washington	Circuit	473	328	85	30	30	6.3
Twenty-First							
Benton	Circuit	97	69	19	3	6	6.2
Linn	Circuit	179	77	65	26	11	6.2
STATE		7095	4031	1861	613	590	8.3

TABLE 8

NUMBER OF PETITIONS FILED

The petitions shown in this table are not included in the filings reported in Tables 1 and 3 in this report. The number of mental competency petitions filed decreased slightly from 3,596 in 1980 to 3,587 in 1981, a 0.25% drop. Adoption petitions declined 5% from 2,197 in 1980 to 2,088 in 1981. Juvenile petitions rose 17% for the year, from 11,492 in 1980 to 13,449 in 1981.

TABLE 8

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	COURT HANDLING JURISDICTION	MENTAL COMPETENCY	ADOPTIONS	JUVENILE	TOTAL PETITIONS
First					
Jackson	Circuit	215	116	812	1,143
Josephine	Circuit	122	40	319	481
Second					
Lane	Circuit	228	254	992	1,474
Third					
Marion	Circuit	656	155	569	1,380
Fourth					
Multnomah	Circuit	1,445	525	5,443	7,413
Fifth					
Clackamas	Circuit	113	117	390	620
Sixth					
Morrow	Circuit	4	5	13	22
Umatilla	Circuit	21	23	328	372
Seventh					
Hood River	Circuit	14	11	56	81
Sherman	County	0	2	20	22
Wasco	Circuit	30	11	143	184
Eighth					
Baker	Circuit	11	17	43	71
Nineth					
Harney	Circuit	14	6	33	53
Malheur	Circuit	12	26	167	205
Tenth					
Union	Circuit	17	23	161	201
Wallowa	Circuit	4	8	21	33
Eleventh					
Crook	Circuit	5	7	152	164
Deschutes	Circuit	55	55	99	209
Gilliam	County	1	0	27	28
Grant	Circuit	1	5	56	62
Jefferson	Circuit	2	8	83	93
Wheeler	County	2	0	16	18
Twelfth					
Polk	Circuit	43	32	400	475
Yamhill	Circuit	53	38	177	268

TABLE 8
Continued

JUDICIAL DISTRICT	COURT HANDLING JURISDICTION	MENTAL COMPETENCY	ADOPTIONS	JUVENILE	TOTAL PETITIONS
Thirteenth					
Klamath	Circuit	35	66	366	467
Lake	Circuit	3	7	51	61
Fifteenth					
Coos	Circuit	67	63	347	477
Curry	Circuit	6	16	87	109
Sixteenth					
Douglas	Circuit	198	84	445	727
Seventeenth					
Lincoln	Circuit	18	30	166	214
Nineteenth					
Clatsop	Circuit	27	44	66	137
Columbia	Circuit	18	28	292	338
Tillamook	Circuit	29	18	46	93
Twentieth					
Washington	Circuit	36	132	765	933
Twenty-First					
Benton	Circuit	35	38	122	195
Linn	Circuit	47	78	176	301
STATEWIDE		3,587	2,088	13,449	19,124

DISTRICT COURTS

TABLE 1

TOTAL CASES FILED

The 554,612 total filings in the district courts in 1981 are a decline of 70,044 from the 1980 level of 624,656 cases. This 11% drop is due primarily to reduced traffic infraction, misdemeanor and violation offenses in 1981. Traffic infractions declined 68,699 cases, 15%, over the year. The misdemeanors and violations show a 4,945 case drop, 6%, for the period. There was also a slight decrease of 0.9%, 293 cases, in the civil filings for the year. The number of preliminary felony matters filed in the district courts increased 10% or 1,203 cases. Small claims filings grew 5% for the year, increasing 2,690 cases.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanors & Violations	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Benton	6,299	1,425	221	388	850	9,183
2. Clackamas	21,117	4,793	334	2,593	3,368	32,205
3. Clatsop	6,159	1,199	219	284	808	8,669
4. Columbia	5,782	1,557	172	192	500	8,203
5. Coos	16,840	3,744	291	700	1,718	23,293
6. Crook*	1,915	751	135	134	226	3,161
7. Curry	990	386	137	131	137	1,781
8. Deschutes	10,079	1,273	322	983	1,749	14,406
9. Douglas	14,640	1,465	782	881	3,145	20,913
10. Hood River	4,942	747	146	96	254	6,185
11. Jackson	21,972	6,431	612	1,438	3,319	33,772
12. Jefferson*	2,408	974	107	88	174	3,751
13. Josephine	17,952	2,892	486	547	922	22,799
14. Klamath	8,192	2,488	400	969	1,489	13,538
15. Lane	28,730	5,186	1,255	2,789	7,672	45,632
16. Lincoln	6,699	2,619	335	410	652	10,715
17. Linn	11,413	3,001	456	900	1,943	17,713
18. Marion	14,693	3,908	690	3,314	3,415	26,020
19. Morrow-Umatilla**	6,469	428	12	170	623	7,702
20. Multnomah	99,015	20,859	3,304	11,974	13,667	148,819
21. Polk	6,637	975	233	455	519	8,819
22. Umatilla**	12,076	1,130	413	482	1,451	15,552
23. Union*	7,505	2,085	115	152	461	10,318
24. Wallowa*	630	228	20	38	241	1,157
25. Wasco	13,348	1,523	296	189	479	15,835
26. Washington	17,752	6,456	1,167	3,085	3,473	31,933
27. Yamhill	9,295	1,328	233	480	1,202	12,538
TOTALS	373,549	79,851	12,893	33,862	54,457	554,612

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TABLE 2

TOTAL CASES TERMINATED

The 567,930 total cases terminated in 1981 represents a 39,719 drop in terminations, a decline of 6%, when compared to 1980. Traffic infraction terminations decreased 11%, 46,682 cases, and misdemeanors dropped 1%, 988 filings. There were increases in civil terminations, 3% or 878 cases, small claim terminations, 11% or 5,570 cases, and felony proceedings closed, 13% or 1,503 cases.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanors & Violations	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Benton	6,193	1,260	199	399	884	8,935
2. Clackamas	27,669	5,203	363	2,590	3,308	39,133
3. Clatsop	6,209	1,219	218	310	788	8,744
4. Columbia	6,060	1,544	212	257	482	8,555
5. Coos	16,838	3,134	300	745	1,740	22,757
6. Crook*	2,047	766	134	134	228	3,309
7. Curry	1,060	396	139	137	141	1,873
8. Deschutes	10,521	1,278	321	1,079	1,804	15,003
9. Douglas	15,467	2,300	1,035	995	3,122	22,919
10. Hood River	5,185	732	138	98	266	6,419
11. Jackson	23,803	6,321	613	1,456	3,288	35,481
12. Jefferson*	2,538	902	92	88	181	3,801
13. Josephine	18,447	2,704	454	469	972	23,046
14. Klamath	8,609	2,396	391	948	1,507	13,851
15. Lane	30,291	5,312	1,335	3,302	7,885	48,125
16. Lincoln	5,999	2,600	327	374	553	9,853
17. Linn	14,403	3,088	458	964	1,943	20,856
18. Marion	14,399	3,584	706	3,708	3,323	25,720
19. Morrow-Umatilla**	7,116	353	10	166	557	8,202
20. Multnomah	95,017	21,564	3,033	11,692	14,273	145,579
21. Polk	6,592	929	230	429	525	8,705
22. Umatilla**	11,954	897	413	401	1,211	14,876
23. Union*	7,742	2,037	125	153	443	10,500
24. Wallowa*	628	217	20	44	246	1,155
25. Wasco	13,513	1,344	287	173	493	15,810
26. Washington	18,884	6,106	1,122	2,905	3,434	32,451
27. Yamhill	8,940	1,239	228	531	1,334	12,272
TOTALS	386,124	79,425	12,903	34,547	54,931	567,930

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TABLE 3

COMPARATIVE TABLE
TOTAL CASES FILED PER YEAR
1975 - 1981

The total number of cases filed in the district courts declined 11% in 1981. Prior to this decline, from 1975 through 1980, the total number of filings had increased at a compound rate of 6.4% per year. The total number of cases filed each year in the district courts is dominated by traffic infraction filings. Typically, these account for approximately 70% of new filings. The decline in total filings in 1981 and in 1977 is due primarily to drops in the number of traffic infraction filings. These cases represent only a small portion of the actual workload of a district court judge. If traffic infractions are deducted from the total filings statistic for each year in the table, the civil and criminal cases filed from 1975 through 1981 are increasing at a compound rate of 91% per year, as opposed to a compound rate of increase of 3.3% per year. Excluding traffic infractions, the total filings from 1975 through 1981 are 107,193, 98,495, 120,717, 148,741, 169,459, 182,408, and 181,063 respectively.

County	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
1. Multnomah	121,196	138,405	129,778	149,903	160,877	165,743	148,819
2. Lane	42,335	54,009	52,114	55,584	54,528	53,515	45,632
3. Jackson	35,109	44,301	43,066	43,305	43,768	40,733	33,772
4. Clackamas	21,433	29,340	29,564	34,967	34,732	36,317	32,205
5. Washington	25,544	28,764	26,890	31,930	31,613	32,031	31,933
6. Marion	33,673	36,158	29,529	33,921	30,826	25,605	26,020
7. Josephine	16,224	18,864	22,894	26,050	28,708	28,522	22,799
8. Coos	13,591	17,619	21,151	24,196	23,282	24,147	23,293
9. Douglas	26,064	31,297	34,797	28,537	24,989	25,379	20,913
10. Linn	12,693	12,240	11,828	18,183	22,521	22,480	17,713
11. Wasco	10,194	11,669	12,772	13,120	10,312	16,400	15,835
12. Umatilla**	11,363	17,322	15,976	15,656	15,541	16,901	15,552
13. Deschutes	8,865	13,060	15,927	18,585	16,160	17,708	14,406
14. Klamath	16,106	20,007	18,813	18,626	16,580	16,751	13,538
15. Yamhill	10,126	10,760	11,598	11,809	12,900	12,495	12,538
16. Union-	3,951	13,885	13,004	13,826	14,152	13,055	10,318
Wallowa*	303	1,292	931	1,056	1,433	1,690	1,157
17. Lincoln	7,857	10,259	9,833	11,505	11,547	12,497	10,715
18. Benton	8,422	8,537	9,778	11,309	11,936	10,759	9,183
19. Polk	6,868	7,958	10,304	11,410	10,541	8,801	8,819
20. Clatsop	9,196	9,749	8,992	9,083	8,591	10,137	8,669
21. Columbia	6,464	7,281	9,335	9,427	9,361	10,563	8,203
22. Morrow-Umatilla**	-	-	-	-	-	3,959	7,702
23. Crook-	-	-	-	-	0	3,782	3,161
Jefferson*	-	-	-	-	946	4,479	3,751
24. Hood River	7,957	9,026	8,624	9,855	7,164	7,025	6,185
25. Curry	2,153	1,483	1,656	2,049	1,816	3,182	1,781
TOTALS	457,687	553,285	549,154	603,892	604,824	624,656	554,612

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TABLE 4

TOTAL CASES
PENDING, FILED, AND TERMINATED
PER REGULAR JUDGE

The number of cases filed per judge in the district courts is a measure of caseload that permits direct comparison of the district courts. In 1981, there were 10,038 cases filed per judge. This is a decrease of 9.7% from the 1980 level of 11,149 cases. The number of cases terminated per judge decreased 10.1% from 11,461 to 10,279 cases. The number of cases pending per judge declined from 3,754 in 1980 to 3,466 in 1981; a 7.7% change. In addition to the 55.25 regular judges, there were 747.5 days of pro tempore assistance used in 1981, a 15% reduction from the 884 days used in 1980. The 747.5 days of temporary help are the equivalent of 2.96 full time judges.

County	Number of Regular Judges	Net Days of Help Given(-) and Received(+)	Cases Filed Per Regular Judge	Cases Terminated Per Regular Judge	Cases Pending Per Regular Judge
1. Benton	1.0	+ 8.5	9,183	8,935	2,123
2. Clackamas	3.0	+ 73.5	10,735	13,044	3,838
3. Clatsop	1.0	+ 6.0	8,669	8,744	1,564
4. Columbia	1.0	- 16.5	8,203	8,555	1,927
5. Coos	2.0	+ 42.5	11,646	11,378	2,189
6. Crook-Jefferson*	1.0	+ 8.0	6,912	7,110	1,159
7. Curry	1.0	- 36.0	1,781	1,873	201
8. Deschutes	2.0	-106.5	7,203	7,501	1,020
9. Douglas	2.0	- 4.5	10,456	11,459	2,328
10. Hood River	1.0	- 1.0	6,185	6,419	660
11. Jackson	3.0	- 12.0	11,257	11,827	1,832
12. Josephine	2.0	+ 52.5	11,399	11,523	1,523
13. Klamath	2.0	+ 7.5	6,769	6,925	3,243
14. Lane	5.0	+ 35.0	9,126	9,625	4,259
15. Lincoln	1.0	+ 26.0	10,715	9,853	2,571
16. Linn	1.25	+204.5	14,170	16,685	4,347
17. Marion	3.0	+ 66.0	8,673	8,573	2,059
18. Morrow-Umatilla**	1.0	- 3.0	7,702	8,202	563
19. Multnomah	13.0	+328.0	11,448	11,198	7,136
20. Polk	1.0	- 3.0	8,819	8,705	758
21. Umatilla**	1.0	- 6.0	15,552	14,876	1,524
22. Union-Wallowa*	1.0	- 5.0	11,475	11,655	1,508
23. Wasco	1.0	+ 4.0	15,835	15,810	3,027
24. Washington	4.0	+ 13.0	7,983	8,113	2,171
25. Yamhill	1.0	+ 12.0	12,538	12,272	1,916
TOTALS	55.25	+747.5	10,038	10,279	3,466

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TABLE 5

TOTAL CASES PENDING
December 31, 1981

The analysis of all district court cases pending at the conclusion of 1981 shows that 62% were traffic infractions, 23% misdemeanors, 1% felonies, 7% civil, and 7% small claims. Compared to 1980 data, there was a 10% decrease in traffic cases pending, a 4% increase in criminal cases, a 6% decrease in civil cases, and a 5% decrease in small claims cases. Overall, the pending caseload was reduced 13,087 cases, 6.4% below the 1980 level of 204,571.

County	Traffic Infractions	Misdemeanors & Violations	Felony Offenses	Civil	Small Claims	Total
1. Benton	1,138	679	59	128	119	2,123
2. Clackamas	6,663	2,401	22	1,309	1,120	11,515
3. Clatsop	930	368	39	105	122	1,564
4. Columbia	1,453	242	12	115	105	1,927
5. Coos	2,065	1,666	7	181	460	4,379
6. Crook*	181	120	13	56	27	397
7. Curry	81	68	11	21	20	201
8. Deschutes	1,289	250	2	313	186	2,040
9. Douglas	2,899	615	116	225	772	4,657
10. Hood River	455	127	14	44	20	660
11. Jackson	2,067	2,327	34	564	503	5,495
12. Jefferson*	489	180	31	42	20	762
13. Josephine	1,639	768	95	266	278	3,046
14. Klamath	4,651	1,112	12	395	317	6,487
15. Lane	14,536	3,657	128	1,212	1,764	21,297
16. Lincoln	1,215	900	21	161	274	2,571
17. Linn	3,130	1,190	122	326	666	5,434
18. Marion	2,780	1,035	54	1,014	1,295	6,178
19. Morrow-Umatilla**	252	145	3	39	124	563
20. Multnomah	62,554	21,565	787	5,165	2,699	92,770
21. Polk	299	160	7	236	56	758
22. Umatilla**	963	305	16	110	130	1,524
23. Union*	795	353	21	36	89	1,294
24. Wallowa*	109	52	0	13	40	214
25. Wasco	2,166	674	46	62	79	3,027
26. Washington	3,420	2,188	122	1,337	1,618	8,685
27. Yamhill	1,094	394	10	177	241	1,916
TOTALS	119,313	43,541	1,804	13,682	13,144	191,484

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JUSTICE COURTS

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	BAKER, Baker	COLUMBIA, Clatskanie	CURRY, Brookings	CURRY, Port Orford	DOUGLAS, Canyonville	DOUGLAS, Drain	DOUGLAS, Reedsport	DOUGLAS, Glendale	GILLIAM, Arlington
CASES FILED - 1981	6,107	339	4,209	2,665	3,169	1,935	5,284	3,975	7,270
Civil	150	0	5	0	15	2	41	7	0
Small Claims	136	2	107	8	142	15	44	35	0
Offenses	605	10	161	86	288	121	308	87	41
Traffic	5,216	327	3,936	2,571	2,724	1,797	4,891	3,846	7,229
CASES TERMINATED - 1981	6,103	299	4,296	2,842	3,216	2,128	5,971	4,446	8,550
Civil	130	0	5	0	15	2	18	7	0
Small Claims	128	2	102	8	142	6	121	24	0
Offenses	540	9	134	75	276	132	301	69	29
Traffic	5,305	288	4,055	2,759	2,783	1,988	5,531	4,346	8,521
CASES PENDING - 12/31/81	1,073	36	64	604	615	381	527	601	500
Civil	84	0	0	0	0	0	148	0	0
Small Claims	9	2	8	0	0	11	15	24	0
Offenses	70	0	35	17	92	109	150	49	8
Traffic	910	34	21	587	523	261	214	528	492

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	GRANT, Canyon City	GRANT, Praire City	HOOD RIVER, Cascade Locks	JACKSON, Gold Hill	KLAMATH, Chiloquin	LAKE, Lakeview	LAKE, Summer Lake	LANE, Florence	LANE, Oakridge
CASES FILED - 1981	1,708	86	6,076	1,764	10,361	1,622	190	2,491	3,987
Civil	58	0	0	0	17	42	7	53	17
Small Claims	174	0	1	0	54	70	1	117	44
Offenses	416	22	34	65	77	211	104	293	82
Traffic	1,060	64	6,041	1,699	10,213	1,299	78	2,028	3,844
CASES TERMINATED - 1981	1,682	90	6,103	1,539	9,449	1,599	132	2,600	4,049
Civil	50	0	0	0	6	27	8	58	14
Small Claims	153	0	1	0	16	50	1	119	44
Offenses	414	25	36	59	66	196	54	220	77
Traffic	1,065	65	6,066	1,480	9,361	1,326	69	2,203	3,914
CASES PENDING - 12/31/81	397	4	1,824	503	4,121	239	187	442	397
Civil	79	0	0	0	40	23	0	0	3
Small Claims	119	0	2	0	96	22	4	14	1
Offenses	125	1	31	25	121	48	97	109	5
Traffic	74	3	1,791	478	3,864	146	86	319	388

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	LINCOLN, Lincoln City	LINN, Lebanon	MALHEUR, Ontario	MALHEUR, Nyssa	MALHEUR, Jordan Valley	MARION, Stayton	MARION, Woodburn	MORROW, Heppner	MORROW, Irrigon
CASES FILED - 1981	3,488	2,921	14,743	1,086	1,857	3,197	6,062	611	2,183
Civil	17	26	162	41	4	11	28	5	32
Small Claims	24	57	122	41	9	52	73	28	56
Offenses	219	403	286	154	46	809	688	136	135
Traffic	3,228	2,435	14,173	850	1,798	2,325	5,273	442	1,960
CASES TERMINATED - 1981	3,577	2,784	17,531	1,007	1,858	2,781	5,948	624	2,192
Civil	48	27	102	36	1	10	15	4	45
Small Claims	31	53	136	44	12	42	103	28	82
Offenses	214	329	268	177	33	840	688	139	104
Traffic	3,284	2,375	17,025	750	1,812	1,889	5,142	453	1,961
CASES PENDING - 12/31/81	527	388	447	148	191	1,053	738	119	209
Civil	9	2	119	31	5	3	31	13	3
Small Claims	8	9	14	5	11	6	84	1	6
Offenses	52	80	202	12	16	230	0	30	45
Traffic	458	297	112	100	159	814	623	75	155

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

JUSTICE COURTS[1]	SHERMAN, Moro	TILLAMOOK, Tillamook	WASHINGTON, Tigard						TOTAL
CASES FILED - 1981	1,749	6,849	10,898						118,882
Civil	5	176	21						942
Small Claims	12	264	16						1,704
Offenses	297	1,500	24						7,708
Traffic	1,435	4,909	10,837						108,528
CASES TERMINATED - 1981	1,819	7,411	10,987						123,613
Civil	3	167	20						818
Small Claims	13	265	17						1,743
Offenses	300	1,544	28						7,376
Traffic	1,503	5,435	10,922						113,676
CASES PENDING - 12/31/81	259	1,554	1,079						19,227
Civil	0	29	1						623
Small Claims	0	6	0						477
Offenses	131	473	0						2,363
Traffic	128	1,046	1,078						15,764

[1] Courts not shown failed to report for each month of the year.

MUNICIPAL COURTS

TABLE 1

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED 1981

FIELDS:	2	2.1	2.2	2.3	3	3.1	3.1.1	3.1.2	3.1.3	3.2	3.2.1	3.2.2	3.2.3
MUNICIPAL COURT [1]	TOTAL CASES FILED	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	WITH TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	WITH-OUT TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER
POPULATION OVER 20,000													
Albany	4396	552	2866	978	4052	282	64	131	87	3770	382	2603	785
Beaverton	6507	179	5852	476	7010	3830	94	3294	442	3180	273	2697	210
Corvallis	4772	334	3959	479	5828	407	73	279	55	5421	297	4731	393
Eugene	28071	1190	22958	3923	27252	3141	715	1804	622	24111	517	20689	2905
Gresham*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillsboro	5517	0	5231	286	5399	407	0	356	51	4992	0	4738	254
Medford	13200	532	10380	2288	13265	896	63	575	258	12369	543	9891	1935
Salem	24157	1960	20742	1455	22060	984	221	544	219	21076	1345	18652	1079
Springfield	9353	878	6665	1810	9404	1271	463	513	295	8133	511	6114	1508
POPULATION 15,000 - 20,000													
Bend	7985	1316	5097	1572	8556	671	162	457	52	7885	705	5645	1535
Klamath Falls	5226	476	3968	782	6048	398	36	267	95	5650	910	3825	915
Lake Oswego	3973	261	3436	276	3843	364	38	259	67	3479	197	3014	268
Milwaukie	4771	254	4344	173	5046	287	18	243	26	4759	281	4241	237
Roseburg	5150	421	4139	590	4939	429	85	276	68	4510	331	3648	531
POPULATION 10,000 - 15,000													
Ashland	4659	161	3712	786	4215	157	5	99	53	4058	77	3321	660
Astoria	1415	199	776	440	1437	101	23	33	45	1336	216	729	391
Grants Pass*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
La Grande*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	2735	210	2120	405	2591	219	47	109	63	2372	85	1988	299
McMinnville	3464	294	2877	293	3510	674	149	440	85	2836	159	2475	202
Oregon City	5665	647	3750	1268	5483	289	7	237	45	5194	635	3391	1168
Pendleton	3190	324	2226	640	3180	183	37	90	56	2997	300	2119	578
The Dalles	1906	331	1259	316	1869	177	65	58	54	1692	254	1198	240
Tigard	1796	0	1643	153	1807	1207	0	1050	157	600	0	598	2
Woodburn	3545	292	2459	794	2732	268	93	92	83	2464	197	1921	346
POPULATION 5,000 - 10,000													
Baker	1455	147	918	390	1501	21	2	7	12	1480	155	975	350
Canby	1125	144	808	173	1117	80	14	57	9	1037	141	783	113
Central Point	739	82	657	0	771	15	6	9	0	756	88	668	0
Cottage Grove	889	124	578	187	892	108	18	65	25	784	98	532	154
Dallas	1340	154	1007	179	1353	76	18	30	28	1277	114	1004	157

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FIELDS:	2	2.1	2.2	2.3	3	3.1	3.1.1	3.1.2	3.1.3	3.2	3.2.1	3.2.2	3.2.3
MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	TOTAL CASES FILED	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	WITH TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	WITH-OUT TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER
Gladstone	2121	223	1680	218	2089	291	70	194	27	1798	114	1487	197
Hermiston	3340	400	2196	744	3126	298	27	186	85	2828	268	1961	599
Lincoln City	1610	148	1391	71	1640	96	21	70	5	1544	153	1322	69
Monmouth	844	101	623	120	867	57	7	34	16	810	105	605	100
Newberg	2641	280	1820	541	2587	105	16	67	22	2482	217	1770	495
Newport	1060	1	1024	35	1016	46	0	45	1	970	1	926	43
North Bend*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ontario	2710	203	2096	411	3460	317	37	229	51	3143	263	2150	730
Prineville	1424	107	1094	223	1427	1427	97	1103	227	0	0	0	0
Redmond	2192	316	1583	293	2139	102	17	60	25	2037	229	1553	255
Seaside	1248	205	744	299	1264	72	23	22	27	1192	167	724	301
St. Helens	1960	214	1327	419	1832	147	23	72	52	1685	164	1205	316
Sweet Home	991	136	614	241	996	80	23	45	12	916	110	582	224
Tualatin	2064	67	1706	291	1871	145	16	125	4	1726	19	1670	37
West Linn	2478	238	2224	16	2520	221	31	182	8	2299	233	2055	11
POPULATION 1,000 - 5,000													
Aumsville	258	51	179	28	262	15	1	11	3	247	48	168	31
Bandon	405	7	363	35	394	9	1	6	2	385	6	345	34
Bay City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brookings	900	155	620	125	852	192	31	130	31	660	95	486	79
Brownsville	104	15	79	10	95	71	12	55	4	24	3	15	6
Burns	731	98	524	109	748	57	9	37	11	691	119	466	106
Cannon Beach	272	45	174	53	269	30	13	9	8	239	31	171	37
Canyonville	109	15	80	14	115	3	2	1	0	112	14	88	10
Carlton	280	0	279	1	307	261	0	260	1	46	0	46	0
Clatskanie	571	56	486	29	518	299	39	233	27	219	0	219	0
Cornelius	1409	2	1380	27	1505	1185	3	1157	25	320	0	319	1
Creswell	380	6	363	11	376	10	0	10	0	366	7	349	10
Dayton	160	0	160	0	155	0	0	0	0	155	1	154	0
Drain*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dundee*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eagle Point	583	37	462	84	582	45	12	29	4	537	26	429	82
Enterprise	240	30	162	48	261	29	6	18	5	232	23	163	46
Estacada	272	4	266	2	276	17	1	16	0	259	3	254	2
Fairview	87	1	86	0	89	7	0	7	0	82	1	81	0
Florence	1204	147	965	92	947	57	14	31	12	890	76	780	34
Gervais	117	14	103	0	160	20	1	19	0	140	18	122	0
Gold Beach	819	56	755	8	816	15	0	14	1	801	56	735	10
Happy Valley*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harrisburg	209	24	171	14	208	1	0	1	0	207	23	169	15
Heppner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hines	254	20	211	23	272	33	5	24	4	239	24	199	16
Hood River	1114	177	822	115	1109	41	13	18	10	1068	191	784	93

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MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	TOTAL CASES FILED	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	WITH TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	WITH-OUT TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER
Hubbard	833	79	705	49	778	54	25	28	1	724	52	634	38
Independence	892	125	648	119	820	388	99	275	14	432	31	322	79
Jacksonville	668	0	365	303	588	14	0	13	1	574	0	300	274
Junction City	823	87	593	143	946	77	11	42	24	869	113	604	152
King City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madras	498	55	435	8	449	16	10	5	1	433	52	374	7
Mill City	297	10	265	22	245	225	12	205	8	20	0	19	1
Molalla	676	76	518	82	720	49	3	32	14	671	71	524	76
Mt. Angel	290	62	181	47	255	238	43	158	37	17	4	12	1
Myrtle Creek	977	69	542	366	975	75	18	26	31	900	51	538	311
Myrtle Point*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nyssa	718	102	501	115	681	15	3	8	4	666	84	483	99
Oakridge	322	47	202	73	342	26	4	16	6	316	36	213	67
Philomath	699	52	593	54	685	50	8	38	4	635	37	558	40
Phoenix	1388	5	1374	9	1400	912	7	900	5	488	0	482	6
Pilot Rock	189	46	122	21	191	13	4	7	2	178	32	115	31
Port Orford*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rainier	1072	140	830	102	992	992	110	817	65	0	0	0	0
Reedsport	848	87	661	100	925	53	22	12	19	872	114	652	106
Riddle	191	23	135	33	193	193	27	139	27	0	0	0	0
Rogue River	845	66	779	0	784	456	0	456	0	328	63	265	0
Sheridan	365	14	294	57	362	21	6	14	1	341	14	288	39
Sherwood	592	0	592	0	451	240	0	240	0	211	0	211	0
Silverton	789	119	420	250	731	84	29	21	34	647	66	442	139
Stanfield	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Stayton	498	80	299	119	289	39	17	15	7	250	32	172	46
Sutherlin	843	101	515	227	789	49	4	35	10	740	79	484	177
Talent	582	81	453	48	584	163	24	113	26	421	79	298	44
Tillamook	1419	170	1249	0	1390	1390	131	1259	0	0	0	0	0
Toledo	211	0	189	22	185	18	0	12	6	167	0	151	16
Troutdale	1332	60	1041	231	1179	733	29	690	14	446	0	234	212
Turner	56	17	37	2	69	15	2	12	1	54	12	41	1
Umatilla	1413	129	1109	175	1386	66	14	34	18	1320	110	1047	163
Union	108	1	100	7	110	2	0	1	1	108	1	101	6
Veneta	425	0	403	22	390	14	0	14	0	376	0	360	16
Warrenton	761	71	654	36	596	7	4	3	0	589	59	499	31
Willamina	127	13	102	12	81	34	5	26	3	47	1	45	1
Wilsonville	120	0	120	0	130	10	0	10	0	120	0	120	0
Winston	720	77	507	136	801	57	11	30	16	744	80	535	129
POPULATION UNDER 1,000													
Arlington	21	1	2	18	20	10	1	1	8	10	0	1	9
Athena	115	0	83	32	115	82	0	68	14	33	0	14	19
Aurora	71	0	68	3	78	5	1	4	0	73	0	70	3

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MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	TOTAL CASES FILED	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	TOTAL CASES CLOSED	WITH TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	WITH-OUT TRIAL	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER
Boardman*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butte Falls	17	0	17	0	21	19	0	19	0	2	0	2	0
Cascade Locks*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cave Junction*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chiloquin*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culver	148	2	110	36	164	4	0	4	0	160	2	124	34
Dayville*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dufur*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durham*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fossil*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garibaldi	281	0	281	0	253	242	0	242	0	11	0	11	0
Gaston	347	0	342	5	367	218	0	217	1	149	0	146	3
Halfway	27	0	9	18	27	6	0	4	2	21	0	5	16
Halsey	47	3	12	32	40	1	0	1	0	39	1	11	27
Helix*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idanha*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Irrigon*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Johnson City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jordan Valley*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joseph*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lyons	123	8	104	11	124	17	3	12	2	107	4	97	6
Maupin*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Metolius	41	0	41	0	46	34	0	34	0	12	0	12	0
Monroe	141	42	90	9	146	7	2	3	2	139	21	103	15
Mt. Vernon*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Plains	128	7	119	2	103	59	0	59	0	44	7	35	2
North Powder*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powers	90	8	56	26	88	88	12	51	25	0	0	0	0
Prescott*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockaway	261	0	260	1	298	4	0	3	1	294	0	292	2
Siletz*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sisters	216	0	216	0	240	14	0	14	0	226	0	226	0
Wallowa*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waterloo*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yachats*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yoncalla	38	0	38	0	38	38	0	38	0	0	0	0	0
ANNUAL TOTALS	218861	17196	172620	29045	215971	30380	3788	22375	4217	185591	12929	149014	23648

* INACTIVE COURT

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TABLE 2

CASES PENDING FIRST AND LAST DAY 1981

MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	CASES PENDING/FIRST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	CASES PENDING/LAST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASES PENDING
POPULATION OVER 20,000									
Albany	852	203	367	282	1196	309	499	388	344
Beaverton	2403	296	1810	297	1900	108	1671	121	(503)
Corvallis	2310	259	1806	245	1254	223	755	276	(1056)
Eugene	7864	516	6317	1031	8700	484	6759	1457	836
Gresham*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillsboro	1255	0	1234	21	1373	0	1371	2	118
Medford	3999	237	3428	334	3934	163	3342	429	(65)
Salem	5595	736	4606	253	7692	1130	6152	410	2097
Springfield	3858	558	2974	326	3895	435	3082	378	37
POPULATION 15,000 - 20,000									
Bend	1822	313	1117	392	1251	762	112	377	(571)
Klamath Falls	1308	655	329	324	486	185	205	96	(822)
Lake Oswego	714	155	490	69	844	181	653	10	130
Milwaukie	1914	426	1398	90	1639	381	1258	0	(275)
Roseburg	833	53	749	31	1044	58	964	22	211
POPULATION 10,000 - 15,000									
Ashland	1338	44	742	552	1782	121	1034	627	444
Astoria	120	46	30	44	77	21	24	32	(43)
Grants Pass*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
La Grande*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	555	17	336	202	699	95	360	244	144
McMinnville	472	33	428	11	426	19	390	17	(46)
Oregon City	359	11	300	48	541	16	422	103	182
Pendleton	1415	297	1053	65	1425	284	1070	71	10
The Dalles	557	49	394	114	594	61	397	136	37
Tigard	768	0	733	35	757	0	728	29	(11)
Woodburn	1489	221	1066	202	1120	144	524	452	(369)
POPULATION 5,000 - 10,000									
Baker	152	32	64	56	106	22	0	84	(46)
Canby	205	77	86	42	213	66	54	93	8
Central Point	275	36	239	0	243	24	219	0	(32)
Cottage Grove	147	42	51	54	144	50	32	62	(3)
Dallas	188	44	110	34	115	64	23	28	(73)

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MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	CASES PENDING/FIRST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	CASES PENDING/LAST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASES PENDING
Gladstone	87	60	14	13	171	67	100	4	84
Hermiston	176	75	48	53	390	180	97	113	214
Lincoln City	237	28	193	16	207	2	192	13	(30)
Monmouth	199	55	105	39	176	44	91	41	(23)
Newberg	313	101	80	132	367	148	63	156	54
Newport	276	0	267	9	320	0	320	0	44
North Bend*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ontario	1208	141	486	581	458	44	203	211	(750)
Prineville	136	32	86	18	133	42	77	14	(3)
Redmond	285	59	205	21	363	129	175	59	78
Seaside	388	72	186	130	372	84	179	109	(16)
St. Helens	679	148	359	172	808	175	410	223	129
Sweet Home	224	37	110	77	219	40	97	82	(5)
Tualatin	192	17	171	4	385	48	327	10	193
West Linn	349	77	236	36	307	51	223	33	(42)
POPULATION 1,000 - 5,000									
Aumsville	25	8	13	4	19	7	12	0	(6)
Bandon	11	0	9	2	22	0	21	1	11
Bay City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brookings	76	21	50	5	0	0	0	0	(76)
Brownsville	4	2	0	2	13	4	9	0	9
Burns	162	28	105	29	163	75	33	55	1
Cannon Beach	83	11	39	33	86	12	33	41	3
Canyonville	133	21	95	17	0	0	0	0	(133)
Carlton	16	0	16	0	6	0	6	0	(10)
Clatskanie	171	73	52	46	224	90	86	48	53
Cornelius	436	1	434	1	338	0	338	0	(98)
Creswell	9	2	7	0	13	1	11	1	4
Dayton	8	1	7	0	13	0	13	0	5
Drain*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dundee*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eagle Point	18	1	14	3	19	1	17	1	1
Enterprise	62	14	29	19	34	11	10	13	(28)
Estacada	6	0	6	0	2	0	2	0	(4)
Fairview	30	0	30	0	28	0	28	0	(2)
Florence	160	28	91	41	417	85	245	87	257
Gervais	77	13	64	0	36	8	28	0	(41)
Gold Beach	47	12	31	4	50	12	37	1	3
Happy Valley*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harrisburg	9	0	6	3	10	1	7	2	1
Heppner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hines	55	15	40	0	37	6	28	3	(18)
Hood River	298	76	140	82	303	49	160	94	5

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MUNICIPAL COURT[1]	CASES PENDING/FIRST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	CASES PENDING/LAST DAY: CASES PENDING	MAJOR TRAFFIC	MINOR TRAFFIC	OTHER	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASES PENDING
Hubbard	35	13	22	0	63	16	42	5	28
Independence	136	18	28	90	208	20	78	110	72
Jacksonville	185	0	83	102	265	0	135	130	80
Junction City	227	46	118	63	104	9	65	30	(123)
King City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madras	139	27	108	4	188	20	164	4	49
Mill City	6	0	2	4	59	41	0	18	53
Molalla	137	7	55	75	0	0	0	0	(137)
Mt. Angel	14	1	7	6	47	18	16	13	33
Myrtle Creek	361	66	121	174	363	66	99	198	2
Myrtle Point*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nyssa	147	8	129	10	184	22	139	23	37
Oakridge	89	12	59	18	69	19	32	18	(20)
Philomath	64	11	39	14	78	18	36	24	14
Phoenix	64	2	60	2	54	0	54	0	(10)
Pilot Rock	54	14	27	13	52	23	28	1	(2)
Port Orford*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rainier	265	43	182	40	345	73	195	77	80
Reedsport	251	92	138	21	236	61	159	16	(15)
Riddle	44	19	24	1	42	15	20	7	(2)
Rogue River	69	0	69	0	152	0	152	0	83
Sheridan	84	24	44	16	87	19	35	33	3
Sherwood	219	0	219	0	357	0	357	0	138
Silverton	403	72	125	206	461	96	82	283	58
Stanfield	51	0	36	15	50	0	35	15	(1)
Stayton	153	44	44	65	362	75	156	131	209
Sutherlin	222	21	167	34	276	39	163	74	54
Talent	8	1	7	0	16	5	11	0	8
Tillamook	429	43	386	0	458	82	376	0	29
Toledo	29	3	24	2	55	3	50	2	26
Troutdale	526	60	461	5	679	91	578	10	153
Turner	33	7	23	3	16	9	4	3	(17)
Umatilla	177	16	128	33	204	21	156	27	27
Union	12	0	10	2	10	0	8	2	(2)
Veneta	12	0	9	3	30	0	26	4	18
Warrenton	111	17	90	4	276	25	242	9	165
Willamina	53	13	36	4	99	20	67	12	46
Wilsonville	22	0	22	0	12	0	12	0	(10)
Winston	180	32	97	51	99	18	39	42	(81)
POPULATION UNDER 1,000									
Arlington	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
Athena	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Aurora	11	1	10	0	4	0	4	0	(7)

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MUNICIPAL COURT	------CASES PENDING/FIRST DAY----- CASES PEND-ING	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	------CASES PENDING/LAST DAY----- CASES PEND-ING	MAJOR TRAF-FIC	MINOR TRAF-FIC	OTHER	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASES PENDING
Boardman*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butte Falls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cascade Locks*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cave Junction*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chiloquin*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culver	24	0	23	1	8	0	2	6	(16)
Dayville*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dufur*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durham*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fossil*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garibaldi	3	0	3	0	30	0	30	0	27
Gaston	93	0	93	0	70	0	70	0	(23)
Halfway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Halsey	4	0	0	4	15	2	1	12	11
Helix*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idanha*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Irrigon*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Johnson City*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jordan Valley*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joseph*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lyons	14	0	14	0	20	0	20	0	6
Maupin*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Metolius	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Monroe	31	4	15	12	26	7	15	4	(5)
Mt. Vernon*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Plains	7	0	7	0	23	0	23	0	16
North Powder*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powers	17	9	6	2	20	5	11	4	3
Prescott*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockaway	60	0	57	3	23	0	23	0	(37)
Siletz*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sisters	73	0	73	0	49	0	49	0	(24)
Wallowa*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waterloo*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yachats*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yoncalla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANNUAL TOTALS	54762	7331	39582	7849	56306	7760	39839	8707	1544

* INACTIVE COURT

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